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NEGOTIATIONS FOR MADRID SURRENDER: FAILURE REPORTED

MADRID, MAR. 27 (REUTER).—NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE SURRENDER OF MADRID are reported to have broken down and Franco's troops are reported to have advanced 25 miles on the southern front, occupying an area of 200 square miles.

It is declared that Franco's troops met with little resistance and that 10,000 Republican troops either deserted or surrendered.

WIDE FRONT ADVANCE

Franco's Forces In Huge Offensive

BURGOS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Gen. Franco's troops commenced an offensive in the early hours of the morning on the Cordoba front.

A communique claims that the Republican lines were penetrated to a considerable depth and that a wide front advance is continuing.

A message from Madrid states that the inhabitants in the capital are still wondering why no official statement concerning the peace negotiations have not yet been issued.

A report from Paris says that it is believed that these peace negotiations have been delayed by the discussion of certain essential points in the Republican proposals, according to a message from Madrid.

DUCE DID NOT THROW PETROL ON FIRE

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Signor Mussolini's speech at the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the Fascist Party yesterday, is the chief topic of newspaper comment. "Journal" says, "It can be said that Mussolini did not throw petrol on the fire." "Ere Nouvelle" writes, "We don't recognize the code consisting of creating needs in order to be able to demand rights." "L'Epoque" says, "To hide the truth from the people he is forced to try and dazzle them by future successes."

A Madrid broadcast blames Gen. Franco for the change in attitude and Burgos admits that Madrid did not agree to the demand that the Republican Air Force be handed over by Saturday as a gesture of the surrender of Madrid.

At present there is no sign of the threatened offensive.

The city is quiet except for the sound of anti-aircraft guns firing at noon when twelve of Franco's bombers were cruising over the city. The planes have so far dropped no bombs.

Police headquarters is crowded with people applying for passports and the road from Madrid to Valencia is crowded with refugees.

ITALIAN AIR LOSSES

ROME, Mar. 27 (T/Ocean).—Italian voluntary formations fighting in Spain on the side of the Nationalist forces lost 88 military planes since the beginning of their participation in the Spanish civil war up to March 2, according to an official announcement made here today. The total Italian plane losses include 57 pursuit planes, 11 bombers and two scouting planes.

SPANISH ART TREASURES

GENEVA, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—An inventory taken of the Spanish art treasures, which had been sent to Geneva for safekeeping show nothing is missing and that the treasures had been kept in a perfect state of preservation.

AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS

TOKYO, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador in Japan, and Lady Craigie are combining a ten-day holiday with a visit to Shanghai to exchange views with Sir Archibald Clarke-Kerr.

Sir Robert and Lady Craigie will leave Japan on the Empress of Canada on April 1 and return on the Terukini Maru.

FLYING SCHOOL PUPIL MISSING ON SOLO FLIGHT: GRAVE ANXIETY IS FELT FOR CHINESE STUDENT



Picture of the Hornet Moth training plane, with Mr. George H. Huang at the control, which has failed to return after taking off from Kai Tak yesterday afternoon.

Poland Determined Not To Be Taken By Surprise

"Down With Hitler"

DEMONSTRATIONS IN BROMBERG

WARSAW, Mar. 27 (T/Ocean).—Serious demonstrations against the Reich and the Fuehrer took place yesterday after a meeting of Polish Nationalists in Bromberg which, with a large part of West Prussia and Pognan was ceded by Germany to Poland according to the Versailles Treaty.

The crowd shouted in chorus, "Down with Hitler," "Thrash the Germans," "The Polish Army must occupy Danzig," "We want Koenigsberg."

The police had to take special measures to protect the Germans and German property.

OFFICIAL DENIAL

ROME, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—It is officially denied that German troops and planes are permitted to land in Libya. A Berlin message denies that the Bruno Pass between Italy and Germany will be closed to traffic in order to allow German troops to pass through.

QUEEN MARY AT THEATRE

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Queen Mary attended the Queen's Theatre last night in company with the Duke of Athlone. Queen Mary has attended 17 plays in the last five weeks.

YANKEE CLIPPER'S PROGRESS

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The Yankee Clipper which left Baltimore at 7.34 p.m. (G.M.T.) yesterday, carrying 21 men, the largest number ever to embark in a trans-Atlantic heavier-than-air machine, landed in the Azores early this afternoon, on the first part of her flight.

From the Azores, she will fly to Lisbon and Marseilles, and then to Southampton after which she will fly to Foynes Harbour.

ATHENS 'QUAKE

ATHENS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A severe earthquake rocked Athens this morning the extent of damage is unknown.

Mr. Lewis E. Brooks, residing at the Cecil Hotel, has reported to the police the loss of a gold watch and chain, valued at \$80, lost or stolen from his vest pocket in Queen's Road, near Pottinger Street, about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

On Cross-Country Examination Hop With Five Hours' Fuel: Not Wearing Parachute

WAS EXPECTED BACK AT 4.30: REPORT MADE TO H.K. POLICE

GRAVE FEARS ARE FELT FOR THE SAFETY OF A STUDENT OF THE FAR EAST FLYING TRAINING SCHOOL WHO TOOK TO THE AIR SHORTLY AFTER 3.30 P.M. YESTERDAY on an examination flight in a training machine and who was not heard of up to a late hour last night.

THE MISSING MAN IS MR. GEORGE H. HUANG, aged about 24. He came to Hongkong about two years ago from Tientsin, where his father was at one time connected with the Chinese railways, and has been a pupil of the School since that time.

Mr. Huang, who has taken his final examinations in the ground engineering course, was due yesterday to make a 6,000 feet cross-country solo flight in order to complete the requirements for a "B" pilot's licence, having secured his "A" licence some months ago.

The "A" licence only entitles the holder to pilot private planes, whilst the "B" licence entitles the holder to pilot passenger or mail planes.

Amongst requirements for the latter are 100 hours of solo flying, and it is understood that Mr. Huang has almost met these conditions.

NOT WEARING PARACHUTE
The plane which was being used was a Hornet Moth two-seater closed cockpit training plane belonging to the School and bearing the registration letters, VR-HCX. It is learned that the plane had fuel for five hours flying. Mr. Huang was not wearing a parachute, nor was the machine equipped with radio.

The student was expected back at Kai Tak Airport at 4.30 p.m. at the latest. At 6.15 p.m., there being still no signs of Huang, a report was

made to the police by Mr. A. J. R. Moss, Civil Superintendent of the Airport.

At the same time, it is understood, Flight-Lieutenant J. P. Longfield, chief instructor of the Far East Flying Training School, went up in another plane to undertake a search, but as it was then getting dark Mr. Longfield was not able to locate the missing plane.

Mr. Longfield was the first person approached by the "Hongkong Daily Press" for information concerning the missing plane and student, but over the telephone denied the truth of the report.

RUMOURS DISPELLED

Rumours were in circulation last night in Chinese circles that the missing student was none other than Mr. Chang Hsueh-an, younger brother of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, former Manchurian war lord and one of the leading figures in the Sianfu coup on December 1936. These rumours were dispelled, however, when Mr. Chang was observed in the city.

Later, it was reported that the person concerned was Mr. Eugene Wong, son of Gen. Wong So, but these reports proved false as Mr. Wong left the Colony several days ago.

IMPORTANT DECREES DECIDED ON IN FRANCE

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—A series of important decrees concerning national defence, decided on at a meeting of the Council of Ministers, include a decree to increase the navy effectiveness, a decree amending the law governing naval recruiting, a decree increasing the number of naval engineer effectiveness, and a decree in relation to frontier defence, all the details of which are not disclosed, and credit for industrial mobilization.

At the meeting, the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, made a statement regarding the international situation and gave an account of his recent diplomatic conversation in London.

POLES CONTINUE PREPARATIONS

WARSAW, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Military preparations in Poland are being continued, but all plans are surrounded by the greatest secrecy.

COL. BECK FOR LONDON

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Col. Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, is arriving in London this week to begin talks on the international situation.

29 KILLED IN AVALANCHE

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—Twenty-nine persons were killed in an avalanche in the Pyrennes. Other avalanches have done considerable damage.

NANKING HOSPITALS CROWDED

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27 (Central).—Attending to the heavy casualties suffered by the Japanese forces during the present Kiangsi drive, a recent arrival in Shanghai from Nanking stated that the former capital is now a bee-hive of military hospitals.

Such large structures as the Ministry of Communications building, the Foreign Office building and many others have been converted wholly or partially into Japanese military wards, according to the informant. Wounded soldiers were streaming by, highway or railway into Nanking, and all hospitals were crowded to capacity.

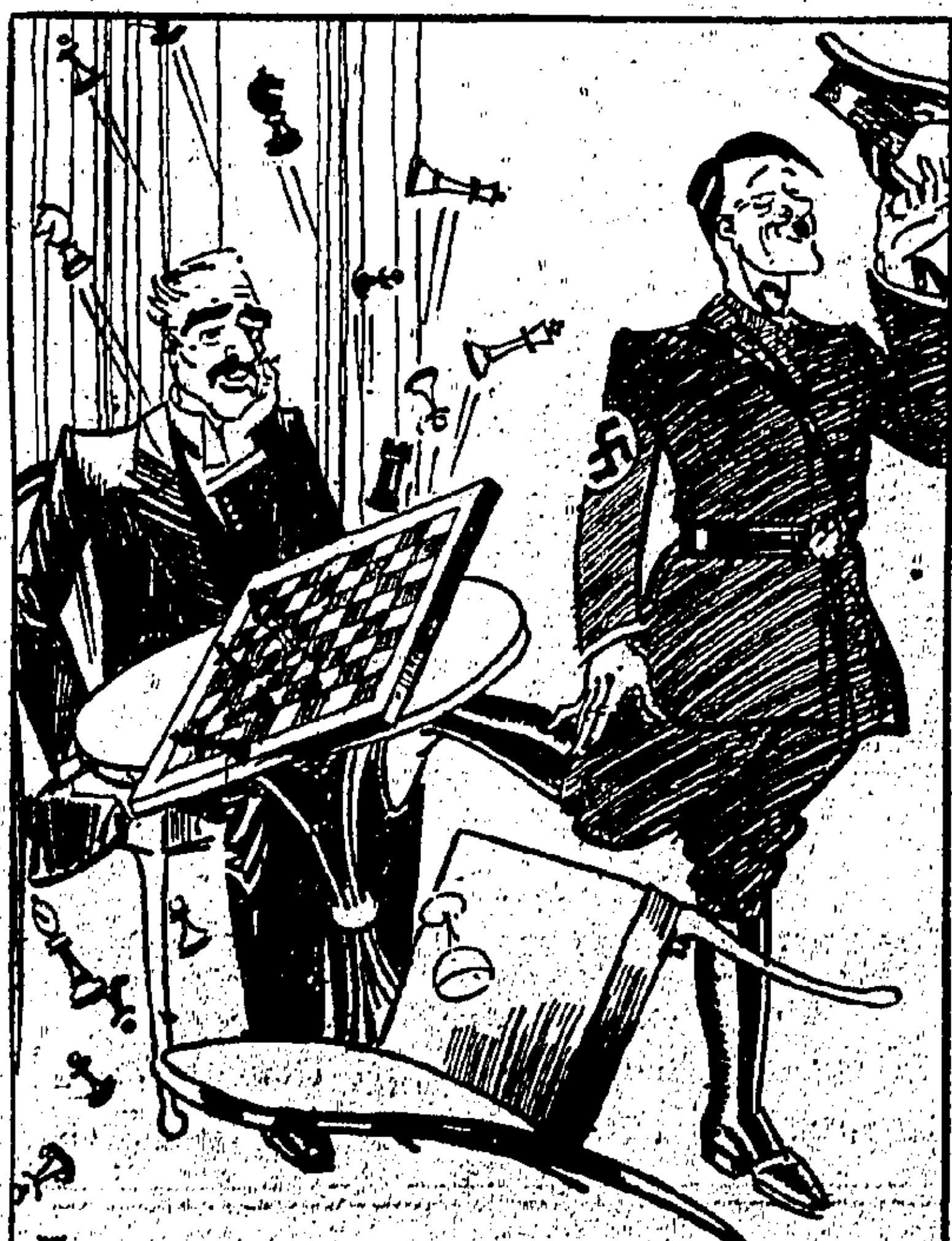
TRADE TALKS

MOSCOW, Mar. 27 (Reuter).—The trade talks between Britain and Russia are ending today. Mr. F. S. Hudson, Secretary to the Department for Overseas Trade, is going to Leningrad after which he will leave Soviet Russia.

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Hitler's "Czech" To Appeasement





In the World of Sports



STRONG WIND & SODDEN FIRING POINTS SPOIL SUNDAY RIFLE SHOOT

The attendance at the shoot on Sunday morning was far better than anticipated—there were about 122 members out for the team, spoon, and pool ball shoots.

With a view to the forthcoming prize meeting, the programme was arranged to include one or two minor Blesley Rules with the idea of giving those member not familiar with Blesley conditions a slight Blesley atmosphere.

The sodden firing points were the cause of many bad shots, misses, and cryptic remarks regarding the rain of the previous day as elbows slipped in the mud. This added the somewhat difficult conditions prevailing.

Many promising scores were completely ruined by a disastrous wind at 600 yards. Looks of consternation and disbelief were written on all faces as declared good shots were signalled outers and misses.

CURIOUS ANTICS OF RANGE FLAGS

The curious antics of the range flags caused many of the wily and practised marksmen to pause and consider before pressing the trigger.

LEADING SCORES

Leading scores of the Sunday Shoot were as follows:—

S.R. (B)	H'cap 200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total
Sgt. G. Roberts	5	29	33	32
Lt. A. J. Le Seclleur	Scr.	31	33	30
Sgt. P. Hale	32	33	33	29
Sub-Lt. B. J. B. Morahan	31	31	31	93
P.O. C. Clark	31	32	30	93
Sgt. L. J. B. Mackie	32	32	29	93
Sgt. V. Cooper	32	32	29	93
Sgt. K. C. Wong	5	31	29	32
Sgt. N. Dumville	2	31	32	29
P.S. A. C. Chan	4	32	31	29
Sgt. F. E. Russell	1	31	33	28
Mne. P. G. Heather	Scr.	33	32	27
Mne. S. Croft	NIL	28	31	32
Spr. W. Thompson	7	28	33	30
Bdms. G. Geary	5	31	31	29
B/M. W. E. Kilford	3	31	32	28
C.P.O. F. J. Davey	2	32	31	28
S/Sgt. P. Banister	8	32	31	28
Pte. H. Dry	NIL	28	31	31
C.S.M. F. G. Maslen	3	31	31	28
Inspector A. L. Hopkins	2	31	32	27
Mr. H. J. S. Blake	2	27	29	32
Mr. S. S. Winch	4	26	33	29
Cpl. F. C. C. Quah	2	34	27	21

S.R. (A)

P.O. J. C. Swan	Scr.	29	32	28
Lt. D. C. Russell	NIL	28	29	31
L/Cpl. G. Gatharier	8	31	28	29
L/Cpl. R. Langford	Scr.	30	30	28
Cpl. W. W. Morris	4	30	30	28
Sgt. R. J. Heap	NIL	28	29	30
L.S.R. N. L. Fan	8	30	30	27
Cpl. F. Cole	5	31	31	25
Cpl. Maghar Singh	7	28	31	27
L/Sgt. W. Nunn	6	26	29	30
Spr. C. Colebrook	NIL	27	30	28
Spr. W. Albane	5	27	30	28
Pte. J. Morgan	14	27	27	30
Major F. Walden	12	28	27	29
Mr. W. K. Gillman	2	26	27	30
L/Cpl. S. G. Brighty	7	33	33	17
Spr. G. Pemberton	12	24	31	27
Pte. R. Smith	13	28	29	25
A.C.L. W. J. Gash	12	26	25	30
Sgt. G. W. Steer	8	27	27	27
Pte. A. L. Harman	NIL	29	25	27
Sgt. W. T. Sargent	8	30	26	25
L.S. K. C. Hoo	10	25	27	28
A.C.L. C. W. Denham	14	27	28	24
Bdms. D. Bolam	13	27	31	13

TEAM SHOOT

The result of the Team Shoot:—

H'cap	H'cap	H'cap	Grand
200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total
1.—R.N. Range Staff	193.71	198.99	180.58
2.—Middlesex—"A" Team	192.85	193.88	190.14
3.—Royal Engineers	188.84	195.78	183.64
4.—H.K. Police (R) C.C.	183.90	192.64	185.98
5.—H.K. Police	190.25	196.07	176.00
6.—Dockyard Rifle Club	183.29	185.42	178.40
7.—Middlesex—"B" Team	186.97	192.04	150.67

SPOON SHOOT

The following were the leading scores of the Spoon Shoot held at Stonecutters last week-end:—

S.R. (B)	H'cap 200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total
Capt. F. P. Sequeira	Scr.	35	31	33
P.G. J. C. Swan	35	32	31	98
Mne. P. G. Heather	32	32	33	97
P.S.M. R. Milne	6	32	32	30
L/Cpl. G. A. Ribeiro	3	31	31	31
L/Cpl. W. Nunn	3	31	32	30
Capt. A. G. Mackenzie-Kennedy	3	32	28	32

S.R. (A)

L/Cpl. V. M. Hammond	3	30	29	32
Cpl. H. W. Morris	4	31	20	27
Sgt. G. W. Steer	6	28	27	25

— Denotes winner of the "Nett" Spoon.

— Denotes winner of the "Handicap" Spoon.

— Denotes winner of the "Highest Range Handicap" Spoon.

— Denotes winner of the "Possible" Button.

N.B.—Winner of a or a spoon has his handicap reduced by one point.

Ladies Hockey

INTERPORT XI SELECTED

Good Side To Meet Shanghai April 8

The final selections for the Hongkong Ladies' Interport Hockey team to play Shanghai on April 8 up north have been made as follows:—

Mrs. Lunson (H.K. Ladies), Miss White (St. Andrew's), Mrs. Wilmet (Scarfords), Mrs. Stone ("Y"), Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.), Miss H. Reid (St. Andrew's), Mrs. O. Burnett ("Y"), Miss B. Harker ("Y"), Mrs. Read ("Y"), Mrs. Dalziel (H.K. Ladies), Miss Westcott ("Y").

Reserve forward:—Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies).

Reserve half-back:—Miss Green (D.G.S.).

Reserve back:—Miss Moss (C.B.A.).

Mrs. Lunson will be manager of the team and Miss Woolley has been appointed captain.

A final practice will be played against the C.B.S. girls on the C.B.A. ground before the team sails.

ARTEMIS AND LA LINDA WIN

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's championship race, sailed yesterday afternoon, resulted as follows:—

Mixed Classes—Started at 14.45

Finished Cor. Pos.

Artemis 16.29.20 16.29.20 1

(Miss M. Whitham)

Redshank 16.36.03 16.36.03 5

(Mrs. M. N. Luce)

Kittiwake 16.32.23 16.32.23 3

(Miss P. M. King)

Jean 16.32.07 16.32.07 2

(Mrs. V. Gowlan)

Widgeon 16.36.21 16.36.21 4

(Miss H. Crawhall Wilson)

Sweepstake Race—Started at 14.55

Finished Cor. Pos.

Isobel 16.44.03 16.44.03 3

(Mrs. F. M. Morris)

La Linda 16.41.28 16.41.28 1

(Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)

Koala 16.45.15 16.45.15 4

(Miss M. Corrigan)

Gurl 16.43.08 16.43.08 2

(Miss L. Helberg)

FIRST DIVISION SOCCER GAME

The first division league soccer match between Middlesex and Eastern has been arranged to take place at 5 p.m. on the Soekunpo ground to-morrow.

GERMANS LOSE AT SOCCER TO ITALIANS

FLORENCE, Mar. 27 (T/Ocean)—A football match between Italy and Germany on Sunday was won by Italy by three goals to two. The half-time score was two to one.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

ATHLETICS—Wah Yan College Annual Meet (Caroline Hill), 1 p.m.

BADMINTON—Junior Singles: D. Kwok v. P. Lo (Talkoo), 8 p.m.; Mixed Doubles: K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung v. P. K. Hui and Miss Khoo or A. Keown and Miss R. Summers (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.; C. Au and Miss Remedios v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Talkoo), 9 p.m.

MEETING—Kowloon Chess Club, at Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

SWIMMING—Mixed Swimming, in European Y. M. C. A. Swimming Pool, 6 p.m.

TENNIS—Open Doubles: Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui v. O. Rumlahn and S. A. Hussain, (S) v. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett v. A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios; Club Doubles: F. C. Nottingham and R. B. Lecky v. D. C. Misa and S. H. Afzal; Club Handicap Singles: H. J. Armstrong v. R. M. M. King, B. O'M. Deane v. E. Tadjaw, H. D. Eldwell v. A. H. Mackenzie; Club Doubles: F. H. Stokes and M. M. Davies v. R. K. Valentine and L. M. B. Lloyd; Club Mixed Doubles Handicap: Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wallden v. E. J. Scull and Miss G. Scull.

TO-MORROW

BADMINTON—Men's Doubles: P. S. Bah and M. E. Lin v. C. Au and F. Koh (Club de Recreato), 8 p.m.

FAMILY TRADITIONS IN BOAT RACE

LONDON, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—Family tradition will be broken by the decision of the Oxford President, J. L. Garton, to invite J. Bligham as stroke in the Boat Race next week, in place of Bourne.

Bourne's father and grandfather rowed in winning Oxford crews. No reason is given for the change, though an earlier message stated that Bourne was not fit.

MACAO JOCKEY CLUB

Entries And Weights For April Meeting

The following are the entries and handicaps for the April Race Meeting to be held in Macao on April 2:

Race 1.—The Rainton Handicap (6 Furlongs): Country Flower 135, Courser Bleu 154, Fairy Ousel 160, Gold Clause 154, Hohenfels 135, Meadow Eve 135, Merry Fatty 140, Morning Tip 144, Victory Life 163.

Race 2.—The Highfield Handicap—First Section (1 Mile): Charybdis 158, Gold Tower 155, King's Parade 158, Lucky Eleven 158, Mac's Adventure 152, Mongolian Cat 155, Stopwatch 152, Stytle (Destroyed), The Buccaneer 152.

Race 3.—The Highfield Handicap—Second Section (1 Mile): Cloudy Star 148, Double Up 140, Eagle 140, Iron Knight 140, Latitit 154, National Dignity 163, National Triumph 151, Persian Cat 157.

Race 4.—The Bendigo Handicap (6 Furlongs): Charcoal 152, Fan Tan 152, High Tower 161, Mayfair Court 161, Sports Gesture 161, The Spirit of St. Louis 155.

Race 5.—The Fulwell Handicap—"D" Class (6 Furlongs): Cuban Love 140, Double Chance 161, Fly-bright 161, Gold Sovereign 161, Good Morning 154, Lancashire Chap 140, National Anthem 140, Royal Highness 158, Tribute 140.

Race 6.—The Governor's Cup (1 Mile): Country Flower 135, Courser Bleu 135, Fairy Auk 160, Fairy Ousel 140, Gold Clause 135, Hohenfels 135, Hogmanay 140, Meadow Eve 135, Merry Fatty 135, Merry Maker 140, Morning Tip 135, Rotheras Bay 135, Shanghai 146, Victory Life 140.

Race 7.—The Consolation Stakes (Post Entries, Half a Mile).

In connection with the "Governor's Cup," the 8th Race on the programme, a special \$1 sweep is being conducted. The cost of a thorough ticket, including a chance in the Special Sweep is \$7 per set, and is obtainable from the Club's office, 2nd floor, Gloucester Building.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB PROGRAMME FOR SECOND EXTRA MEETING

The following is the Hongkong Jockey Club's programme for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, April 8, and Monday, April 10, starting at 12.30 p.m. in each day. All entries will close at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, on Thursday, Mar. 30, at 12 noon. The first saddling bell will be rung at 12 noon on each race day.

FIRST DAY

Saturday, April 8, 1939

1.—12.30 p.m.—Taiwan Bay Handicap—First Section.—Winner \$800. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, "D" Class. Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Season, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

Note.—One Entry only will be made for the Taiwan Bay Handicap (Races Nos. 1 and 9). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

2.—1.00 p.m.—Mrs. Bay Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Grifins of the Season. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes, barred. Weight: 10 lb. under weight for inches. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

TIFFIN INTERVAL

3.—2.30 p.m.—Albury Handicap.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies, "A" Class. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

4.—3.00 p.m.—Sub-Grifins Spring Handicap.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of any Season. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One and a Quarter Miles.

5.—3.30 p.m.—Hongham Bay Handicap.—First Section.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of any Season. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Note.—One Entry only will be made for the Hongham Bay Handicap (Races Nos. 5 and 10). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

6.—4.00 p.m.—Gin Drinkers Bay Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Season. Winners at Race Meetings of this Club, barred. Weight: 10 lb. under weight for inches. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. From the 14 Mile Post (About Half Mile 170 Yards).

7.—4.30 p.m.—Deep Bay Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Season. Winners of more than \$250 in stakes, barred. Weight for inches as per scale. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. No Whips or Spurs allowed. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

8.—5.00 p.m.—Roehill Stakes.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies of this Season. Winners of \$1,000 or more in stakes, barred. Weight: 10 lb. under weight for inches. 1 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. Six Furlongs.

9.—5.30 p.m.—Taiwan Bay Handicap.—Second Section.—(See Race No. 1)

10.—6.00 p.m.—Hongham Bay Handicap.—Second Section.—(See Race No. 5)

Daily Double Event:—Fifth and Seventh Races.

SECOND DAY

Monday, April 10, 1939

1.—12.30 p.m.—Easter Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifins of this Club of this Season. Winners at this Meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. From the 14 Mile Post (About Half Mile 170 Yards).

2.—1.00 p.m.—Calliope Handicap.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Subscription Ponies, "B" Class. Winners at this Meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

TIFFIN INTERVAL

3.—2.30 p.m.—Kellert Handicap.—First Section.—Winner \$600. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, "C" Class. Winners at this Meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$5. One Mile.

Note.—One Entry only will be made for the Kellert Handicap

ANGLO-FRENCH RUGBY MATCHES

British Conditions For Resumption

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuter)—It was unanimously decided by the Directing Committee of the French Rugby Federation to adopt the proposals received recently in a letter from the Secretary of four British Rugby Unions.

The Federation is certain to confirm the decision and the first match will probably be against Scotland next January.

The British letter, summarised, states:

1. Amateurism to be entirely respected by players as well as directors.
2. No paid trainers.
3. Expelled players must not play again until their case is considered by a competent commission.
4. The rules of the International Board to be applied integrally.
5. Friendly matches should be the basis of the game.

The letter politely advised the abolition of inter-club championships and this was adopted.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

The Bogey Par Pool competition, played in the New Course, in Fanning on Mar. 25 and 26 resulted in a win for F. D. Hunter (1) with a score of all square.

There were 20 entries.

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th April, 1939 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Sham Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 30th March, 1939.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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TUBORG BEER

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Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 6
12.00 to 12.30 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m. George Formby, Gracie Fields and Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.

Cotton — Fox-Trot (from Cotton Club Parade) — Duke Ellington & His Orchestra with Vocal by Ivy Anderson. George Formby Medley. Intro: Sitting on the Ice; Do do oh Doh; Chinese Laundry Blues; Madame Moscovitch; My Ukulele; Fanlight Fanny — George Formby (Comedian) with Duke Ellington & His Orchestra. Twelfth Street Rag — Fox-Trot. Awful Sad — Fox-Trot — Duke Ellington & His Orchestra. I think What You Used To Think Of Me (Turk, Hanley and Lyman); Like The Big Fats Do (Long) Gracie Fields (Comedienne) with Orchestra. East St. Louis Toodle-Do; Rockin' Chair — Fox-Trot — Duke Ellington and His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.

1.00 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m. Charlie Kunz at the Piano.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 1. Intro: Dancing with my Shadow; June in January; What a little Moonlight can do; I've got an invitation to a Dance; Blue Moon; Easter Parade. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 5. Intro: When I grow too old to Dream; The Bridal Waltz; One Night of Love; My Dance; In the Merry Month of May; The Girl with the Dreamy Eyes.

1.15 p.m. Heuter and Ragby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.30 p.m. Dance Music.
Waltz — Forever — Blowing Bubbles — The Green Brothers' Harimba Band with Vocal Orchestra. Fox-Trot — Xylophone. Lady Of Madrid — Joe Green (Xylophone) and Milt Herth (Organ).

1.40 p.m. Relay of the Rotary Tif. In Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel. Speaker: Rotarian M. F. Key, O.B.E. Subject: "Mass Inspiration". An account of a Rotary Convention.

2.15 p.m. Close down.
6.00 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) Garden of the Moon, (b) If Dreams come true, (c) Foolin' Myself, (d) When you're smiling. 6.14 Record: Gloriette Swing (Austria); Rumba Acrobatic (Austria) — Astrola at the Piano. 6.21 (a) Who are we to say, (b) I've got a pocketful of dreams, (c) Music for Sweethearts, (d) Rhythm Excursion. 6.35 Records: Bojangles Of Harlem (film 'Swing Time'); A Fine Romance (film 'Swing Time') — Fred Astaire (Vocal) with Jimmy Green's Orchestra. Schon Rosmarin (Kreiser) — Marcel Mule (Saxophone) with Piano. 6.44 (a) Stolen Heaven, (b) Wacky Dust, (c) Don't let that moon get away, (d) East Side Kick.

6.58 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.00 p.m. London Relay — The Thin Red Line.

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8.00 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. B.B.C. Recording — "Love Needs a Waltz". A Radio Operetta. Book and Lyrics by James Dyrrenforth. Music by K. Leslie-Smith.

9.00 The Kentucky Minstrels.
True Till Death (Scott Gatty); Whisper And I Shall Hear (Piccolomini) — Soloist: John Duncan. Love, Could I Only Tell Thee (Bingham-Capell) — conducted by Leslie Woodgate with Herbert Dawson at the Organ.

9.15 p.m. London Relay — "Oliver Bean's Adventure". A dramatic sketch by Burgess Meredith. Scene: A test studio of a large motion picture company. Produced by Barbara Burnham.

9.30 p.m. London Relay — The News. 9.50 p.m. Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

Vienna. City Of My Dreams (film 'Heart's Desire'); Let Me Awaken Your Heart (film 'Heart's Desire'). My World is Gold Because You Love Me (film 'Heart's Desire') — with Orchestra conducted by Idris Lewis.

10.00 p.m. London Relay — The City of London —

Mining Lane' by C. J. Ritchie and Billingsgate' by T. S. Dove. Introduced by Alan Wynay.
1.20 p.m. Tchaikovsky — Symphony No. 6 In B Minor, Op. 74 (The 'Pathétique' Symphony). Boston Symphony Orchestra conducted by Serge Koussevitzky.
11.00 p.m. Close down.

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10.20 — Wheat and Grain Report (A).
10.40 — At Home and Abroad. (A).
11.10 — Luncheon Music (A).
11.30 — Afternoon Musical Programme (A).

p.m.
2.30 — Variety programme (D1).
3.00 — "British Composers" with the B.B.C. Empire Orchestra (D1).
3.20 — Tiny Tots' Session (A).
3.50 — "The Little Show" Intimate cabaret entertainment with Miff Ferrie's Band (D1).

4.15 — Dinner Music (A).
4.20 — News (D1).
5.25 — Commentary On News (A).
5.40 — "The News Behind the News" (A).

6.00 — Symphony Hour — The Studio Symphony Orchestra (A).
6.45 — Henry Coudon, at organ of Ritz Theatre (D2).
7.00 — "The Thin Red Line": The Royal Welch Fusiliers (D2).
7.15 — "Viola Rectal by Grisha Goluboff" (A).

8.00 — The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra (D2): Programme by the A.B.C. (Melbourne) Wireless Chorus (A).
8.50 — Recorded Feature (A).
9.00 — Percy Waterhouse with Clarinet and saxophone, and James Moody at the piano (D2).

9.20 — Summary of the day's news (A).
9.30 — News (D2).
10.00 — "The City of London." Talk on Mining Lane by C. J. Ritchie, and on Billingsgate by T. S. Dove (D3).

10.20 — Music Hall, with the B.B.C. Variety Orchestra (D3).
11.20 — The B.B.C. Military Band (D3).
12.00 — News (D3).
a.m.

12.25 — "The Alpine Hut" with the Augustus Franzel's Schrammel Quartet (D3).

THE SERVICES

LONDON GAZETTE

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

MARCH 1

Wt. Elects. to be Cd. Elects.:—F. G. Harvey, A. P. Cavell (Dec. 1, 1938).
Cd. Gunr. (Retd.) A. Bethell to be Lieut. (Retd.) with seny. April 1, 1937.

MARCH 2

Prob. Sec. Lt. J. D. J. Cliff to be Prob. Lt. (Oct. 1, 1938) and to take rank and precedence next below Prob. Lt. J. D. E. Fitzgerald. (Substituted for notification in the Gazette of Feb. 10).

Prob. Sec. Lt. R. P. Fraser-Smith to be Prob. Lt. (Oct. 1, 1938) and to take rank and precedence next below Prob. Lt. A. W. Medon. (Substituted for notification in the Gazette of Feb. 10).

MARCH 2

Lt. J. T. Pollock placed on Retd. List (March 2).
Lts. to be Lt.-Comdr.:—J. C. Cockburn (Flight Lt. R.A.F.), A. J. Carslaw, F. W. B. Edwards (March 1).

MARCH 3

Sig. Lt. (Retd.) J. W. Anderson to be Lt.-Comdr. (Retd.) (March 3).
Sub-Lieut. (A) to be Lieut. (A) with seny. as stated:—C. B. Lamb, F. D. Beales (Oct. 28, 1938); R. H. H. L. Oliphant (Nov. 18, 1938); J. D. Stern (Jan. 27).

MARCH 5

Cd. Gunr. F. W. Parbin placed on Retd. List (March 5).

MARCH 6

Surg. Lieut. (D) D. D. Craig, B.D.S. to be Surg. Lieut.-Comdr. (D) (March 6).
Sub-Lieut. to be Lieut.:—R. A. St. C. Sprunt-Bolton, J. R. Lang, A. P. Culmer (March 1).

Sub-Lieut. (E) to be Lieut. (E) with seny. as stated:—R. A. Cluett (Feb. 1, 1938); N. A. Dolton (Nov. 1, 1938); P. J. A. Slade (Feb. 1); J. H. D. Maunhan (March 1).

MARCH 7

Cd. Wtr. H. L. Blake to be Paymr. Lieut. (March 1).
Wt. Wtr. H. Porterfield to be Cd. Wtr. (March 1).

MARCH 7

Prob. Sec. Lieut. D. C. Pope to be Act. Lieut. (March 7).
QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE
Miss N. Bryce, Nursing Sister, has resigned, to date March 9.

WAR OFFICE, MARCH 10

RETIRED ARMY
Command and Staff
Maj. H. P. Whitford, R.A., to be G.S.O., 3rd Grade, War Office (Feb. 27).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY
Maj. W. Crawford retires on ret. pay (March 11).
Capt. P. D. Moore is retd. to the establishment (Feb. 11).

Capt. H. G. Croly is sec'd. whilst holding an appt. as Asst. Exptl. Offr. Coast and A.A. Def. Exptl. Establt. (Jan. 30).

Sec. Lt. J. P. G. Lewis to be Lt. (March 10).

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS
Regt.-Sergt-Maj. to be Lts. (T.M. Os.):—G. E. C. Kingman, A. F. Herbert (March 11).

Supt. Clerk John Stevenson Mitchell to be Lt. (Gr-Mr.) (March 11).

INFANTRY
R. Fus.—Maj. G. C. Pearson, M.C. retires on ret. pay (March 10).
R. Norfolk R.—Lt. J. E. Ridsdale is sec'd. whilst undergoing a language course (Feb. 16).

Cheshire R.—Capt. (now Maj.) C. W. Kidwell is retd. to the establt. (Nov. 18, 1938).

Hampshire R.—Maj. W. A. Dore retires on ret. pay (March 10).
North'n R.—Sec. R. R. Graves to be Lt. (March 11).

Midd'x R.—Lt. H. N. C. Gudgeon is sec'd. for serv. under the Colonial Office (Jan. 11).

Y. and L.E.—Maj. E. C. J. Woodford is sec'd. for serv. on the Staff in India (March 2).
H.L.L.—Sec. Lt. J. P. Royle is dismissed from the service by sentence of a General Court-Martial (Sept. 14, 1938).

ROYAL TANK CORPS
Maj. C. B. Bouchier, M.C., is retd. to the establt. (March 10).
Capt. F. R. Caley is sec'd. whilst emp'd. with the R.I.A.S.C. (March 10).

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS
Lt. P. C. Murphy, R. R. Fus., to be Lt. (on prob.) (March 1).
Lt. C. B. R. Cook, R.W.K., to be Sec. Lt. (on prob.) (March 1).

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS
Serg-Maj. Henry Tottle to be Lt. (Gr-Mr.) (March 8).

Short Service Commission.—The appt. of Lt. J. C. Watts is antedated to Feb. 16, 1939, but not to carry pay and allowances prior to Feb. 16, 1939.

Lt. J. C. Watts to be Capt. Feb. 16, 1939, with seny. Feb. 16, 1938.

The follg. Lts. (on prob.) are confirmed in their rank:—S. O. Bramwell, M.B.; J. B. Frew, M.B.; J. Mackay-Tick, M.B.; M.C.P. (March 10).

The follg. Lts. (on prob.) are confirmed in their rank in the following order of seny.:—J. H. Gibson, M.D.; seny. next below J. H. Frain, M.B.; H. A. Bowker, M.D.; H. C. Jeffrey, M.B.; seny. next below H. A. Bowker, M.D.; G. L. Humphreys, seny. next below J. S. F. Watson; J. S. Justice, M.B.; D. Ireland, B.M.; H. J. A. Richards, M.B.; G. F. Edwards, M.B.; P. B. Bagshaw; J. Baxter, M.B.; H. H. Johnston, M.B.; A. Bennett, seny. next below P. L. O'Neill, M.B.; P. E. R. B. Unwin; R. G. Davies; D. S. Toole, M.B.; R. D. Bell; M.B.; seny. next below J. B. M. Milne, M.B.; R. A. Daly, seny. next below A. L. J. Webb; E. T. St. M. Brett, seny. next below G. J. Harrison.

ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS
Maj. (O.M.E., 2nd Cl.) (Temp. Lt.-Col. (O.M.E., 1st Cl.)) J. P. R. Miller; M.Mech.E., to be Lt.-Col. (O.M.E., 1st Cl.) (Dec. 15, 1938). (Substituted for notification in the Gazette of Jan. 20).

Maj. (O.M.E., 2nd Cl.) (Temp. Lt.-Col. (O.M.E., 1st Cl.)) E. McGuinness; M.Mech.E., to be Lt.-Col. (O.M.E., 1st Cl.) (Dec. 15, 1938).

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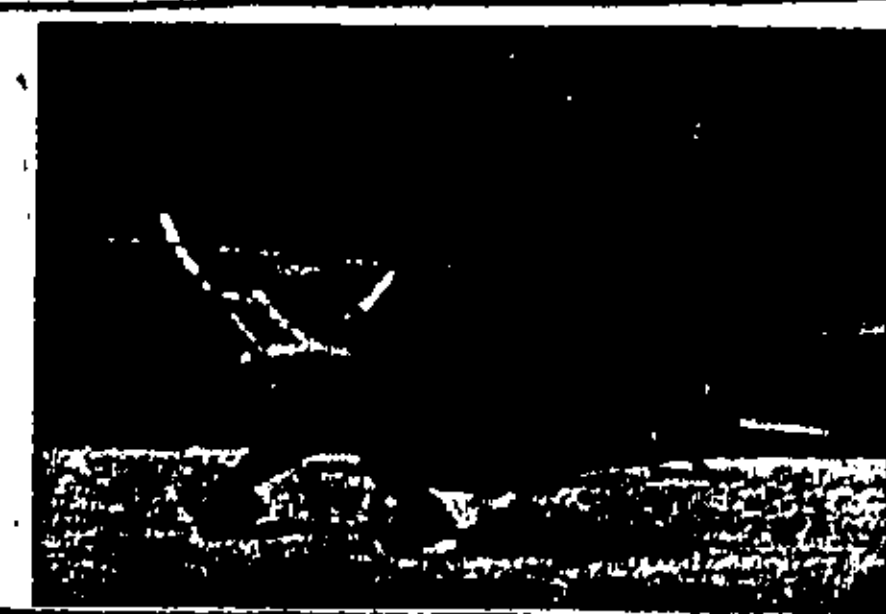
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"Three Blind Mice"

QUEEN'S:
"The Adventures of Robin Hood"

ORIENTAL:
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CATHAY:
"The Good Earth"

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The biggest assembly of theatrical talent ever seen on one stage will appear before the King and Queen at the London Coliseum on March 27.

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Hollywood has won the first round of its fight with the radio. Sooner than allow Tyrone Power, its most popular male star, to continue his \$1,000-a-week broadcasts the 20th Century-Fox Company has compensated the company which was sponsoring the broadcasts.

Hollywood argues that people stop at home to listen to stars instead of going to the films to see them.

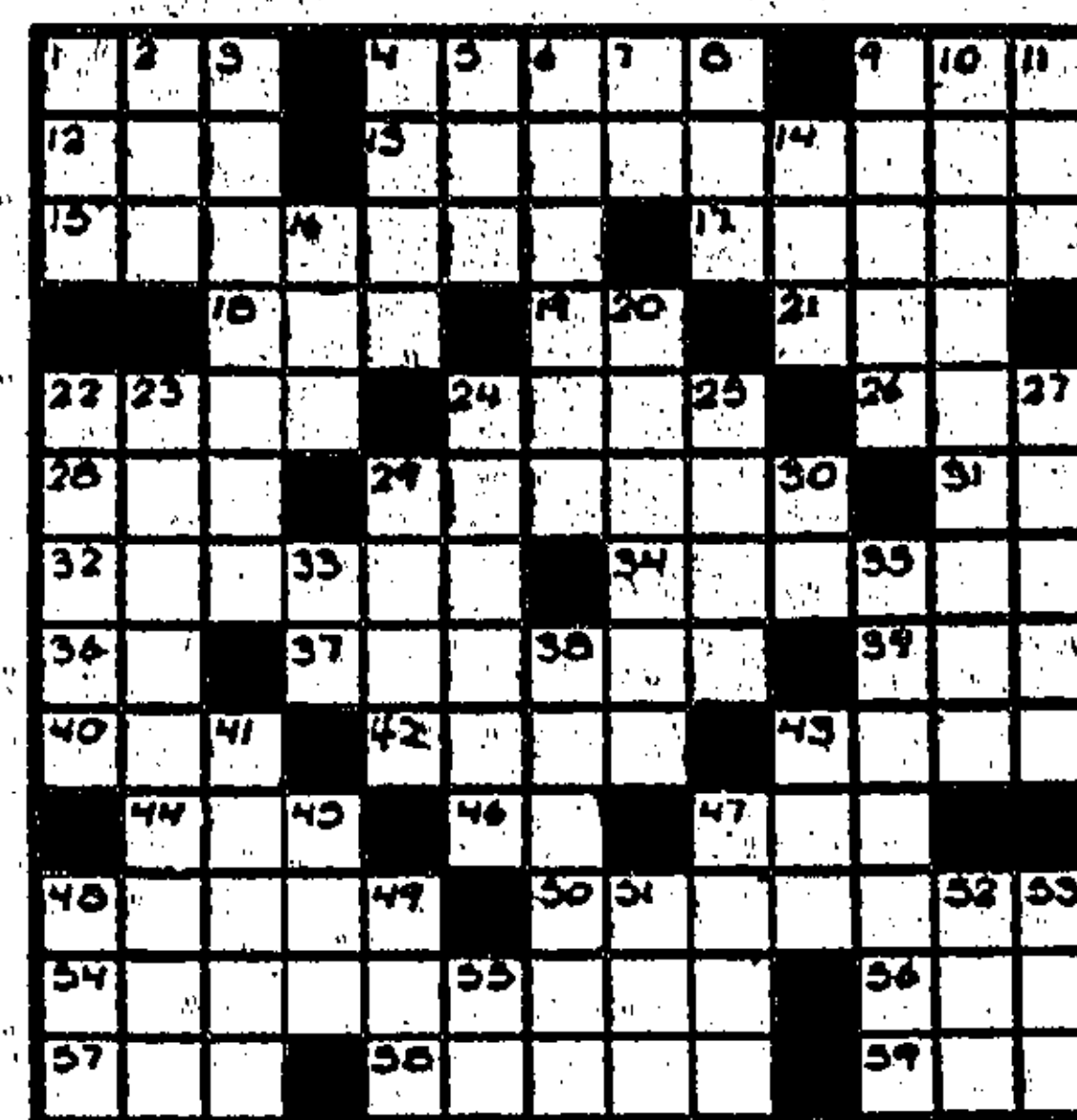
Virginia Grey has been chosen to vamp Mickey Rooney in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The Hardys Ride High." More than 100 girls applied for the role of the blonde siren won by Miss Grey, who recently completed the part of a chorus girl in "Idiot's Delight," co-starring Norma Shearer and Clark Gable.

CROSSWORD

NO. 269

ACROSS

1. Bulgarian coin
4. Name of racecourse
9. In so far as
12. Hall
13. Hound of scottish breed
15. Wreath
17. Cut off the final syllable
18. Hebrew letter
19. Apostle (abbr.)
21. Consumed
22. Portico
24. Periods
26. Unit of energy
28. Convert into leather
29. Reply
31. Note of the scale
32. Mythical king
34. More tidy
36. Prefix: not
37. Ascends
39. Cloth measure
40. Cereal grass
42. Pain
43. Close friends
44. Strike lightly
46. Hawaiian bird
47. 100,000 rupees
48. The capital of ancient Poland
50. Well-known college for women at Baltimore (U.S.A.)
54. Christian and surname of American industrialist who was chairman of the commission that established the Bank for International



Settlements

56. Tone in Guido's scale
57. Goal
58. Anglo-Saxon domestic servants
59. Border

DOWN

1. Fall behind
2. Feminine name
3. The first American State admitted to the Union after the 13 original states
4. The first man
5. Japanese coin
6. Trees
7. Correlative of either
8. Definite article
9. Completely
10. Sell at a lower price
11. American humorist
14. Palm leaf
16. Meadow
20. Indian tribe
22. One of a series of steps

Where in New York State is Washington Irving buried?

24. First name of Caruso
25. Observes
27. Lassies
29. Subtle emanation
30. Egyptian sun god
33. Exclamation
35. Instructor
38. Military governor of Japan
41. Made more comfortable
43. Moccasin
45. Writing implement
47. Pulls with force
48. American poet and story-writer: Edgar Allan
49. American humorist
51. Unit
52. High priest of Israel
53. Engine of war
55. Bone

SOLUTION TO-MORROW

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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

ANNIVERSARIES AND HOLIDAYS.
—Emin Pasha born, 1840.
AUCTIONS.—Crown Lands, at District Office, Tai Po, 11.30 a.m.

CINEMAS.—(See Column 3 of this Page).

LECTURES.—A.R.P., Public Restaurant, Jockey Club, Happy Valley, 5.15 p.m.; Maryknoll Convent School, 4 p.m.; Lusitano Club, 5.30 p.m.; European Y.M.C.A., 6 p.m.; La Salle College, 6 p.m.; Anti-Gas, V. A. Course, Volunteer Hqs., 10.30 a.m.; U.S.R. Club, 11 a.m.; Diocesan Junior Girls' School, 8 p.m.; A.R.P., in Chinese, at Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bonham Road, 4.30 p.m.; Practical Work at P.W.D. Offices, 5.30 p.m., for Members taking Exam on April 3; Rev. N. V. Halward on "Missionary and Medical Work in Canton," at St. Andrew's Hall, 8.30 p.m.

MAILS.—(See Page 16).

MEETINGS.—Annual, of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.; Rotary Meeting, Hongkong Hotel, 1 p.m.; St. Andrew's Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.; Annual, of Hongkong Club, in Club House, 5.30 p.m.; Annual, of Chinese Estate, Ltd., at China Buildings, fifth floor, noon; Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.; Annual, of St. Andrew's Branch of the Victorian Diocesan and Missionary Assn., in St. Andrew's Hall, 8.30 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Y.M.C.A. Women's Section, Sewing Bee, 10 a.m.

MOON.—Chinese, II Moon, 8th Day First Quarter, 8.15 p.m.

RELIGIOUS.—St. Andrew's Confirmation Class (young women), 5.15 p.m.; Prayer and Fellowship Meeting at S. & S. Home, 8.30 p.m.

REHEARSALS.—A.D.C. Rehearsal at Y.M.C.A., 8.30 p.m.

SOCIAL.—Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.; Craigengower Cricket Club Weekly "Punch," 9 p.m.

SPORTS.—(See Page 2).

SUNRISE—6.21 a.m. SUNSET—6.37 p.m.

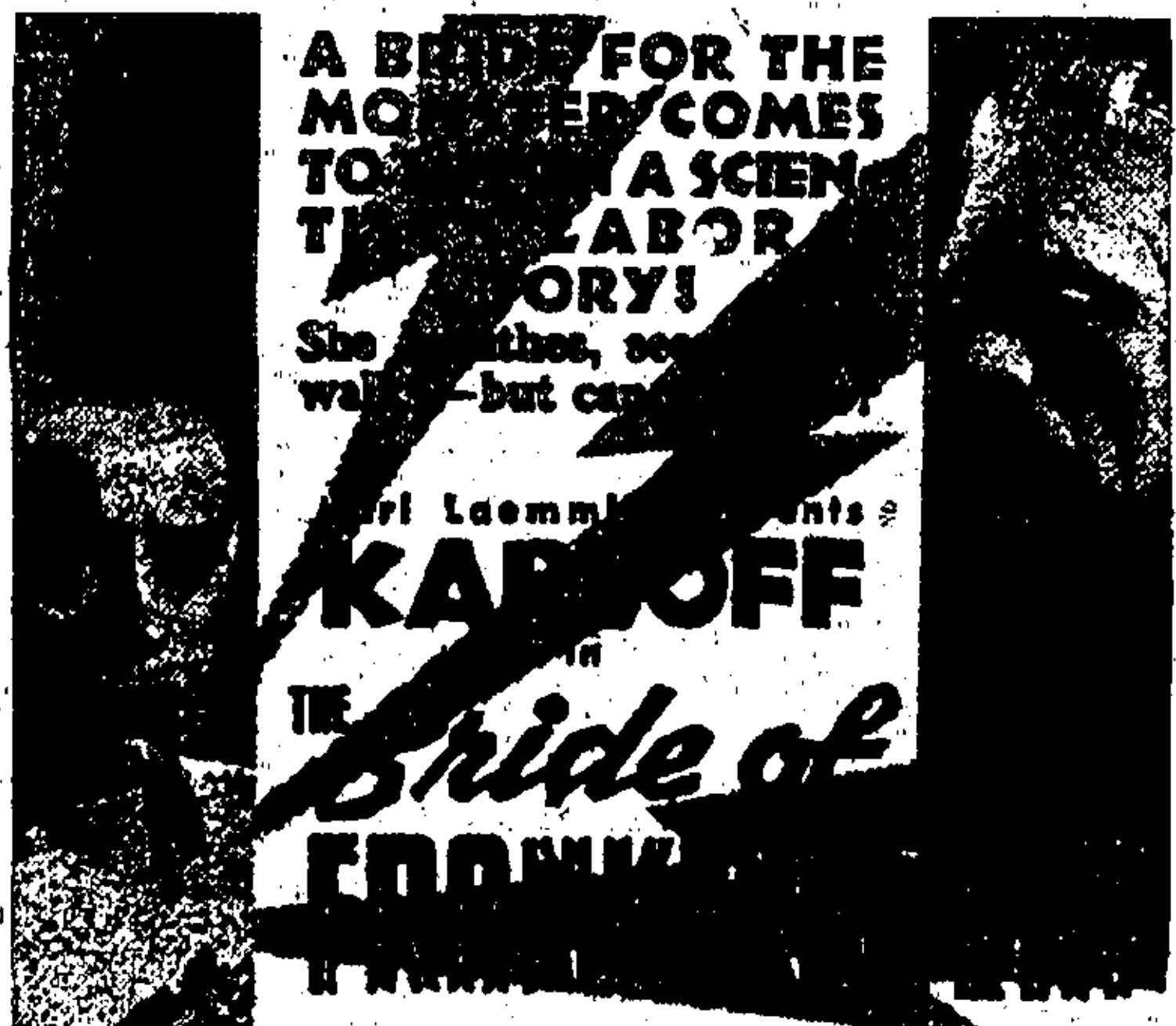
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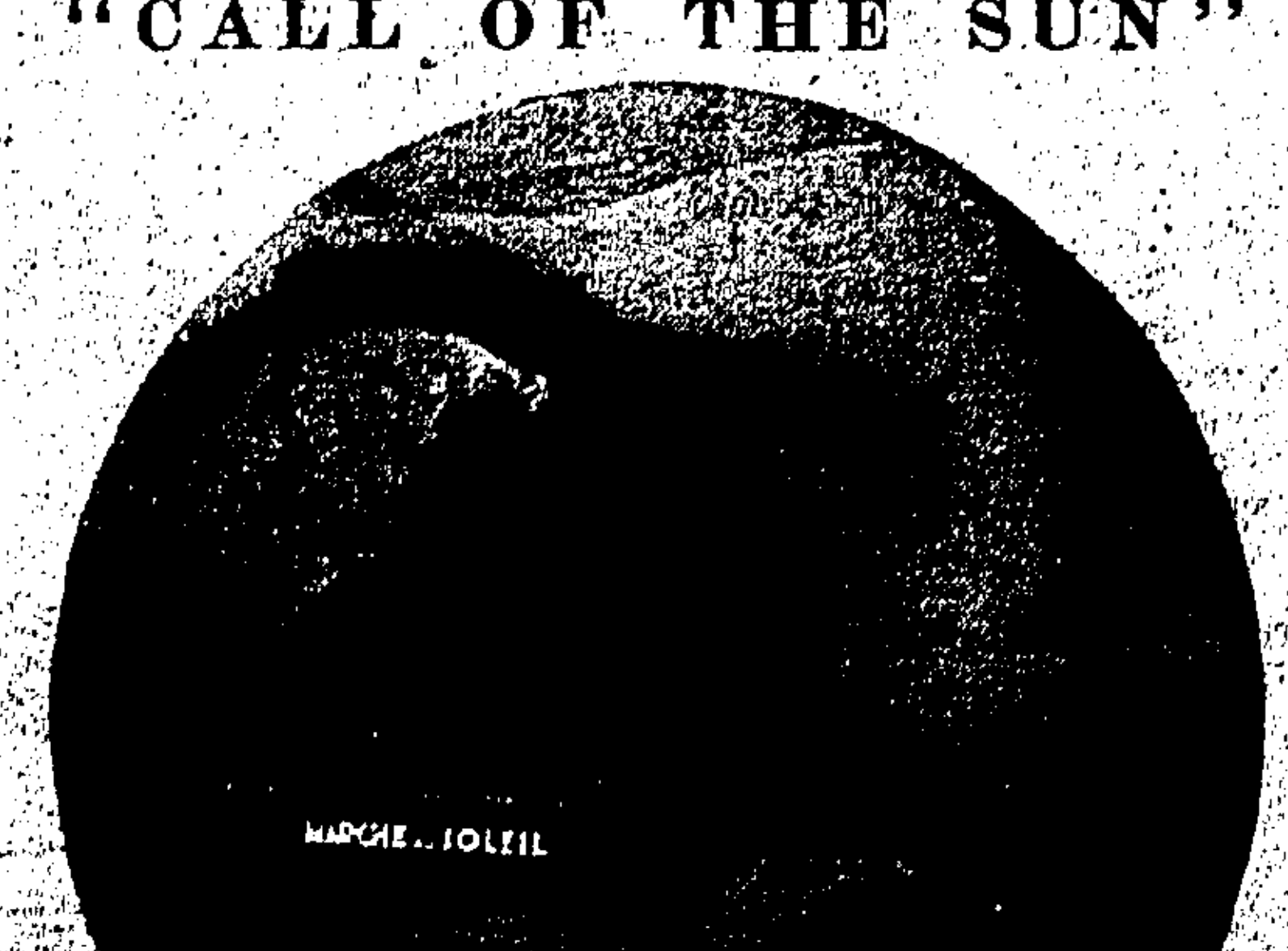
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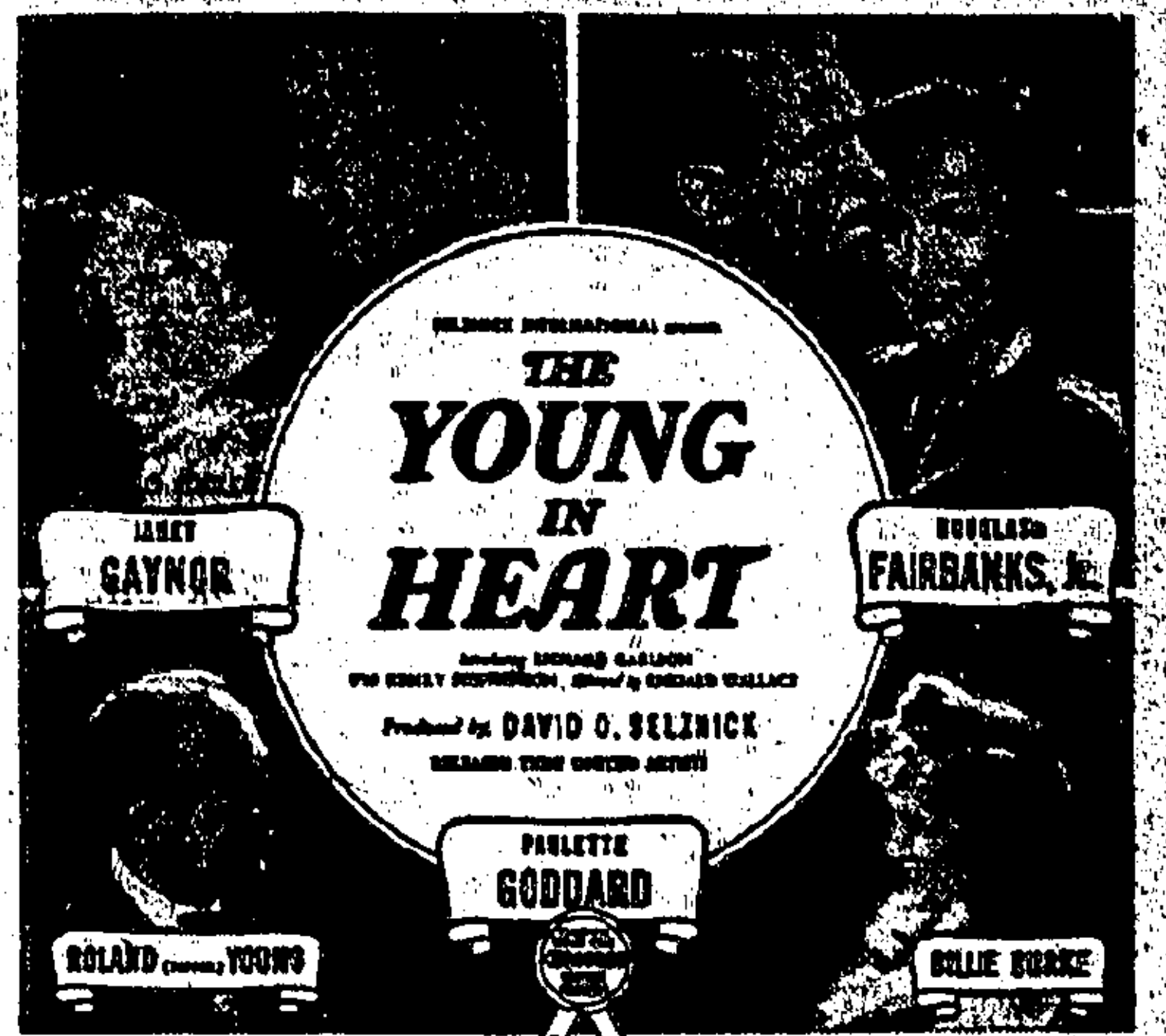
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WOMEN'S PAGE



TUESDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Chilled Orange Juice
Cereal
Scrambled Eggs
Bacon
Bran Muffins
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Cream of Celery Soup
Tuna Fish Salad
Kidney Pie
Hot Asparagus
Creamed Turnips
Cheese Sticks
Apple Pie and Cheese
Tea

DINNER

Ox Tail Soup
Vegetable Salad
Roast Pork
Apple Dumplings
Baked Potatoes
Creamed Carrots and Peas
Cinnamon Cake
Coffee

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—
Mr. Eric Russell Welch, chartered accountant, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, and Miss Dorothy Olivia Dransfield, of No. 20 Broadwood Road; Mr. Yue Shou-hon, merchant, of No. 25 Calne Road, second floor, and Miss Chang Pui-yuen, of No. 191 Yee Kuk Street, ground floor, Sham-shui; Mr. Lai Yiu Ning, of the Yau-mat Theatre, residing at No. 9 Tonnachy Road first floor, and Miss Wong Lai-hing, of No. 17 Kai Yee Road, second floor, Kowloon City.

One of the original "Cambridge Seven" who came to China as missionaries many years ago, the Rev. Sir Montague Beauchamp, Bart., arrived in Shanghai last week. He will visit his son, Dr. Ivor Beauchamp, who is at present in Western China.

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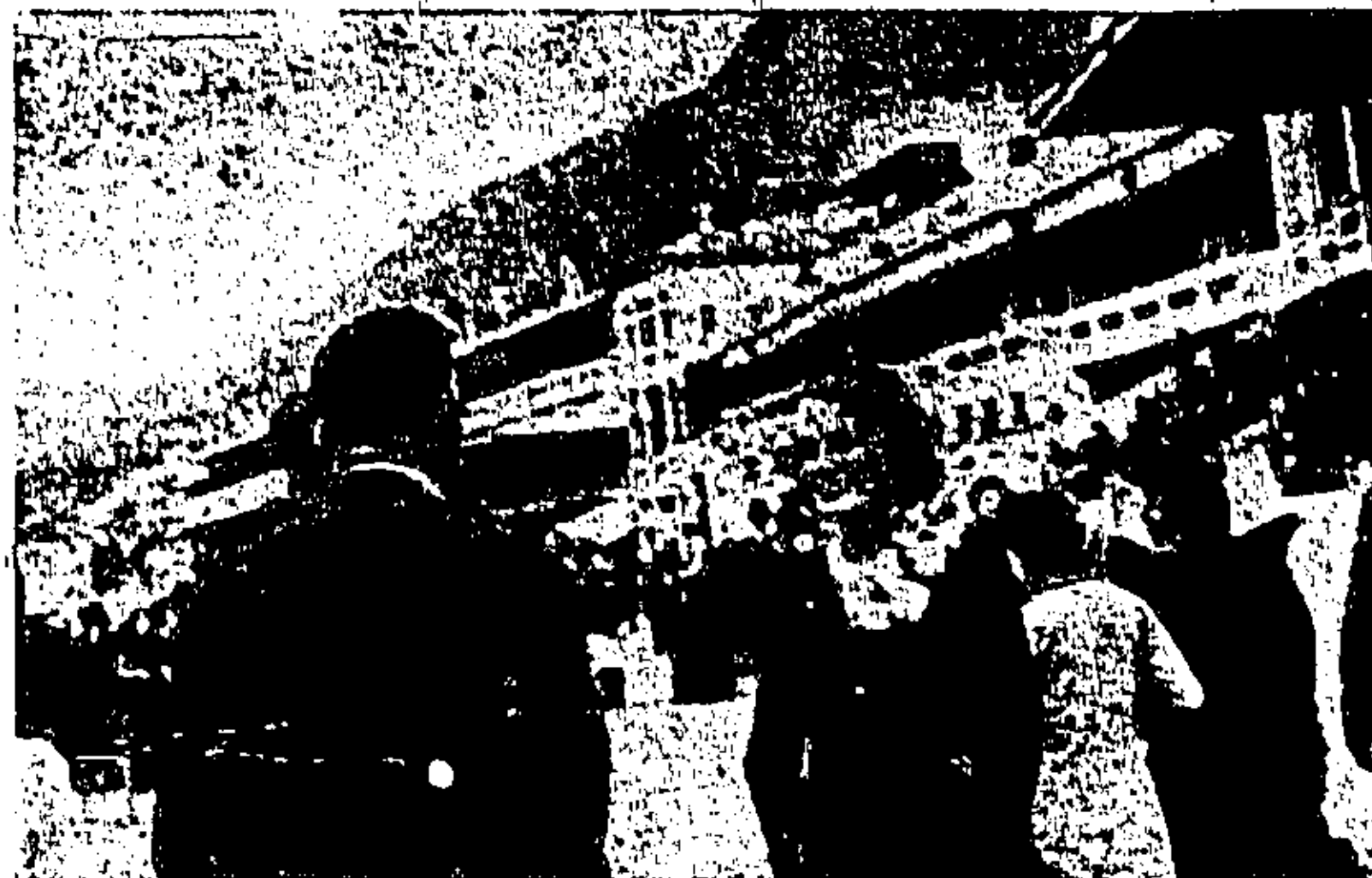


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The smile on the lady's face cannot but indicate that she was lucky in her choice while her gentlemen companions listened dejectedly at the First Extra Race meeting. (Photo by Leica).

Round About SOLDIERS TO WED YOUNGER

Two small girls, about the ages of ten or eleven years, were travelling together across the bay on the ferry boat. Dressed in coats and hats of navy blue, very similar in styling, they presented a dignified and circumspect picture.

The grown people sitting near these two were highly amused with the children's low conversation. Games, dolls, school or parties were not the subjects of their earnest discussions; possessions and accomplishments of their respective families were being compared and bragged about.

"My father has just bought a car which runs 200 miles an hour, eight people can ride at one time," stated one of the youngsters with authority. "Oh!" gasped the other little girl. Then, quite placidly, she came forth with the retort, "Father does not like fast motor cars and spends his money on horses instead."

Back and forth these two outdid themselves on exaggerated stories, until finally the child whose parents own the 200-mile-an-hour car, came forth with the statement that "father is anxious to buy one of the big flying boats and travel home to England in it with all the family."

The two youngsters arrived on

The age at which men in the Navy, Army and R.A.F. may marry will shortly be lowered.

Soldiers now have marriage allowances at twenty-six. Referring to this Mr. Hore-Belisha, Secretary for War, said in the House of Commons recently. "For years the soldier has been supposed to be a celibate. But persons doubt whether this is in accord entirely with modern conditions."

Mr. Belisha added that the three Services are now in consultation, and it might be possible at a later date to make a proposal which would ease the situation.

Mr. Belisha announced that the recruiting age is to be lowered six months to seventeen and a half.

Another reform will shortly be announced, he promised, to increase the number of officers from the ranks.

Already 18 per cent. of Britain's officers were ex-rankers.

the other side of the bay and were met by an amah who hurried them into a bus near the ferry building.

NEWSETTES

Mr. C. W. Browne, of the Fire Department, will be 34 years old to-day.

For the first time in the history of Westminster Abbey, a film was shown there on Sunday evening depicting scenes of the Holy Land, says Reuter.

The "Marechal Joffre" will arrive in Hongkong from Marseilles on Mar. 29 at 6 p.m. and leave Hongkong for Shanghai and Kobe the same day at 11 p.m.

The destroyer Thetis, under the command of Lieut.-Comm. H. R. Tyrwhitt, arrived in Macao on Mar. 27, on a short courtesy call to the Portuguese port.

Mrs. F. Pereira, widow of the late Mr. Frank Pereira, former Hongkong Interport cricketer, arrived in the Colony with her two children on Mar. 19 by the French liner Chenonceaux. She is now in residence in Kowloon.

Mr. Mok Wah-ngok, son of Mr. Mok Hing, left yesterday for Kowloon to continue his studies. Mr. Mok Hing is with the Insurance Department of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and one of the leading officials of the South China Athletic Association.

The troopship Dunera will arrive in Hongkong from the United Kingdom on May 25 with a large number of naval replacements, and will leave on June 12. The transport Etrick is due here on Friday and will sail for Home on June 6.

With reference to the item which appeared in yesterday's "Hello & Goodbye" column, under the sub-heading "Imperial Airways," concerning the local administration, we are informed that it is now the custom for air and shipping companies to publish arrivals and departures after the arrival or departure of passengers as the case may be.

The death occurred on Mar. 13, at a nursing home in England, of Capt. Hubert Wynn Kenrick, O.B.E., R.D., R.N.R. (ret'd) of Wynn Hall, Ruabon, and late Commander of the P. & O. Company, at the age of 74. The funeral took place at Ruabon on Mar. 17.

All the units of the 8th Destroyer Flotilla excepting the Daring and Defender, and the submarine flotilla excepting the Otus, Odin and Grampus which are at Saigon on their way to Hongkong, are now here with the depot ship H.M.S. Medway after participating in the Singapore naval exercises.

Working overtime day and night an army of experts of the National Quarantine Service is turning out blood serums and vaccines for the fighting forces at the front. A large number of experts under the Canton Bureau are now in Kunming assisting in this important work. Another group of experts from Mongolia are doing the same work at Lanchow.

Lady Bredon, of Chuan Pan, Hutung, Peking, widow of Sir Robert Bredon, formerly Deputy Inspector-General of the Imperial Maritime Customs in China, left personal estate in England valued at £34,649, all of which she gave to her son-in-law Charles Henri Lauri, a French citizen living in Peking.

The next meeting of the Hongkong Y. Men's Club will be held at the Chinese Merchants' Club on Thursday, Mar. 30, at 7 p.m. Instead of the regular luncheon meeting. The guests of the club will be the players who took part in "The Previous Night" and the other ladies of St. Paul's Girls' College who contributed towards the success of the entertainment. All Y. men of Hongkong and other clubs are invited to attend with their lady friends.



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WUHU STREET MURDER TRIAL HEARING

Five Accused Arraigned Before Chief Justice

Orange Gag: Old Man Dies From Asphyxiation

DEATH BY ASPHYXIATION OF AN OLD MAN, INTO WHOSE MOUTH AN ORANGE HAD BEEN THRUST AS A GAG IN THE COURSE OF A ROBBERY, led to the arraignment on a charge of murder at the Criminal Sessions yesterday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, of five men alleged to be members of the gang which committed the crime.

The men are Leung Chau, 29, Lam Kam-chuen, 47, Fung Chak, 21, Li Shek Man, alias Li Tok, alias Mang Kai Tsai, 31, and Leung Tai. They are charged with murder, on February 6, of Leung Hung, partner and accountant of the Wo Fung shop, money-changers and grocers, at No. 155 Wuhu Street, ground floor, Hungnam.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. Whynatt, Crown Counsel, while Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, represented first accused, and Mr. H. W. Lee, instructed by Mr. Woo Pak-yung, defended the other accused.

The jury comprise Messrs. B. A. Proulx (foreman), Thum Khal-hong, S. N. Potouloff, P. T. Mann, Wong Sun-ye, F. J. dos Remedios and K. J. K. H. Haase.

Outlining the case, Mr. Whynatt said that but for one unusual and unfortunate circumstance the jury would not be hearing a charge of murder, but of robbery. This was that one of the victims lost not only his property, but also his life, through being so gagged by the robbers that his dental plate was displaced, forcing his tongue back into his throat and suffocating him.

"It does not matter whether the man who actually forced the orange into Leung's mouth is in the dock or not, for the law says that if any persons are engaged in a felonious crime, such as robbery is, and in the course of committing that crime, any one of them uses violence which causes a person's death, then all persons engaged in committing the crime are guilty of murder," continued counsel.

THREE QUESTIONS

"There are three questions for you to answer. The first is, are these five men members of the gang of robbers? Secondly, did they commit the robbery and commit an act of violence on Leung Hung? Thirdly, did Leung Hung die as a result of the act of violence? If your answer to all these three issues is in the affirmative then all five accused are guilty of murder."

Mr. Whynatt said that on the night of February 5, the foks of the shop went to bed after locking up the safes and putting up the shutters. There was one singular point about the shutters, and that was that once in position they could only be opened from inside the shop.

About 1.30 in the morning, the foks, sleeping on the premises, including first accused, Leung Chau, were awakened by the robbers, who bound and gagged them all, and covered their heads.

NOT A BIG HAUL

The robbers did not succeed in making a big haul, and left about an hour later, taking with them a few rolls of copper coins and some silver coins which were not in the safes. No more than \$15 or \$16 were stolen.

Mr. Whynatt said that the robbers gained access to the shop and left also by the back door, which was an extraordinary type of door. It could only be opened by pulling a wire from the inside, thus lifting one of four bats which stood in front of the door proper.

It was the Crown's case that Leung Chau aided and abetted the robbers by opening this door, taking a part, which in law, was called a principal in the second degree.

It would have been difficult for the police to trace the men, who committed the crime, said Mr. Whynatt, but for the fact that a man, named Lau Chun, gave himself up the next day, after reading an account of the robbery in a newspaper. On the information obtained, the five men in the dock were arrested and charged. Statements made by the second, third fourth and fifth accused left no doubt that they had taken part in the robbery.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE

Dr. H. H. Tai, who performed the post-mortem, testified that death was due to asphyxiation caused by the pressure of the false teeth on the tongue. Witness said he imagined some force would be required to thrust the orange into the mouth and push the dental plate out of position.

In answer to Mr. Lee, he said that there were no other signs of violence. Leung Lam, son of one of the partners of the shop and who had been employed there for about 15 years, gave evidence of being awakened on the night in question by deceased crying out to inquire what was the noise. He said he was also bound and gagged with an orange and a stick of firewood, and covered with a quilt by the robbers.

When the robbers had gone, stated witness, he followed two other foks to the cockpit, where they found Leung Hung dead. He said that first defendant cried and said he had lost several tens of dollars and also a gold ring. Cross-examined by Mr. Lo, witness said he had seen the gold ring before the robbery, but knew nothing about Leung Chau's money.

NEVER OPENED

Chan Lung, another fok of the shop, said that the back door was never opened except when the premises were cleaned twice a year by order of the Sanitary Department. After he was untied following the departure of the robbers, he went into the kitchen as he thought the robbers were still there. He saw that the earthenware jars, placed against the back door, had been moved from their accustomed positions, and that the door was slightly ajar.

He then proceeded to the cockpit and saw an orange in Leung Hung's mouth. He removed the fruit but the man was already dead.

In answer to Mr. Lo, witness said he had seen first accused's ring before, but had no knowledge of his money. He did not know that Leung Chau's father was in America or that money was remitted to first accused from America.

The cook employed at the Wo Fung Shop, Leung Yat, also gave evidence, and said that previous to the robbery he had been approached in the street one day by a former employee, Leung Fung, to assist someone who wanted to rob the shop. Witness said he did not inquire how the robbery was

SILVER BULLION EXPORTED

Chinese Dealers Found Guilty

Chan Chuk-man, trading under the name of Wah Yick Import and Export firm, No. 22, Des Voeux Road West, appeared on remand before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday on six summonses for posting silver bullion through the General Post Office, to Singapore on January 3, and for attempting to export silver bullion by post.

Mr. M. W. Lo appeared for the defence while Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, was for the prosecution.

Mr. Lo submitted that the silver ware consisted of bangles and not bullion as alleged by the prosecution. Mr. Forrest ruled otherwise. Finding defendant guilty, Mr. Forrest ordered half of the silver to be confiscated. The total weight was 3,000 taels.

Three other shops, which were summoned for similar offences, were dealt with in the same manner.

"Chan Chiu-lan," trading under the name of Tai Lok Import and Export firm, had half his silver, totalling 880 taels, confiscated.

Lam Kan, of the Hung Fat Import and Export firm forfeited 350 taels, while Ma Lol, of the Wing Tai Loong medicine firm had 50 per cent. of 1,176 taels confiscated. The first count of posting silver bullion through the General Post Office was withdrawn by the prosecution in each case.

FIRING PRACTICE

Firing practice will be carried out from D'AGUILAR between the hours of 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. and from WEST FORT, STONECUTTERS ISLAND, between the hours of 6.00 p.m. and 12 midnight to-day.

to be effected, but child Leung Fung.

DISMISSED FOR QUARRELLING

Leung Chi, managing partner of the Wo Fung shop, said that he lived at No. 100 Wuhu Street. He first knew of the robbery and the death of Leung Hung when he was awakened by the shop foks after 2 a.m. that morning.

Witness said that Leung Fung was dismissed in December because he quarrelled with his son, Leung Lam, and also created a disturbance in the shop. He then engaged Leung Chau.

In answer to Mr. Lo, witness agreed that he was particular about selecting employees. First defendant was introduced to him by a former employee, named Kwan Hip, who had been in his service over 20 years. Kwan said first defendant was a relative of his and had come to Hongkong as a refugee. Leung Chau was a fairly quiet and honest person, said witness, and for a young man was quite diligent.

Lau See, sampan woman, told the Court that seven men hired her boat that morning. She was frightened when she saw them divide several hundred copper coins, and they then asked to be rowed ashore.

DEFENCE OBJECTION

Formal evidence was given by Detective-Inspector A. E. Carey in the course of which Mr. Lo objected to the production of a statement made by first accused after verbal questioning by witness.

Mr. Whynatt pointed out that Mr. Lo had, in the course of cross-examining Inspector Carey, stated that it was right and proper for the Inspector to put those questions to the first defendant, and his Lordship said that, in that case, he could not see any ground for the objection.

The point, however, was reserved until resumption of the hearing this morning.

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

CHINESE COMPANY

Strength. Constable R121 Young Pui Yuen has been permitted to resign from the Chinese Company, as from March 21, 1939.

The following have been taken on the strength of the Chinese Company as from the dates shown against them:—

Constables.—R132 Law Man Gho 23/3/39; R133 Chan Cheong Shing 23/3/39 and R131 Lan Kwok Fee 24/3/39.

Training Course.—Part II. The usual class in Part II of Training Course will be held at the Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday, March 28 at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Those who have not attended the examination on Thursday, March 23 are requested to attend.

Patrol Duty. Nightly between 20 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

INDIAN COMPANY

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EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE. Strength. Constable R424 P. Archipoff has been permitted to resign from the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from March 21, 1939.

Patrol Duty. Nightly between 20 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

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Hongkong, March 27, 1939.

CHINESE GUNNER ON THEFT CHARGE

Tam Fuk, gunner of the 8th Heavy Regiment, Royal Artillery, Chinese Section, appeared on remand before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday charged with the theft of a table electric fan from the Boy Scouts Headquarters, on Friday.

Kong Sau, watchman, testified that his attention was attracted by the noise of breaking glass and he later saw defendant, coming along a path near the P. W. D. garage. Defendant was carrying a fan, which, it was alleged, he admitted taking from the Scouts Headquarters.

Pleading not guilty, Tam told the Court that he had no intention of stealing the fan. A remand of 48 hours was granted.

WRONGFUL ARREST ALLEGED

That he had been wrongfully arrested was alleged by Tsang Fong, a carpenter, when he brought suit for damages amounting to \$500 against the Ramon Furniture and Construction Company in the Summary Court yesterday before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell.

Plaintiff also claimed \$266 as balance of commission due to him on work which he stated he was instrumental in obtaining for the defendant firm.

Appearing for plaintiff was Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, while Mr. F. G. Nigel represented the defendants.

After plaintiff had given evidence, the hearing was adjourned to May 19.

COLONY HEALTH RETURNS

Twenty-six cases of tuberculosis were notified to the Health Department on Mar. 28, in addition to seven cases of measles, six cases of enteric fever, five cases of cerebro-spinal fever, three cases of diphtheria and dysentery and two cases of small-pox.

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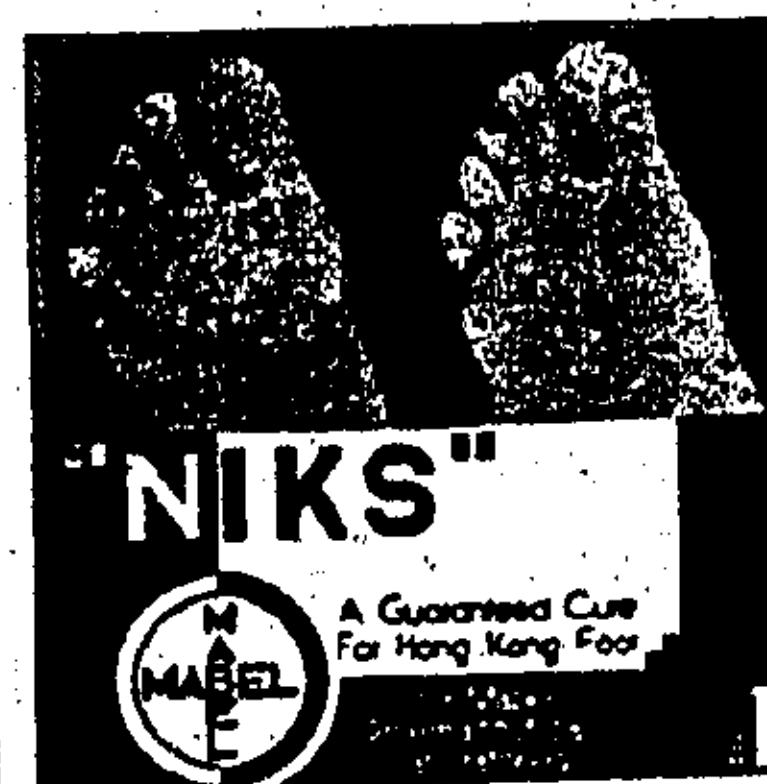
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GIRL FOUND WITH JEWELLERY

In a daylight robbery which was perpetrated yesterday morning on the ground floor of No. 505 Shanghai Street, a girl, aged 11, was found in the premises with two pieces of jewellery in her possession. She was taken to Mongkok Police Station. It was believed that she was discovered by the foks after the robbers had decamped with their haul of jewellery worth \$1,647.

LOCAL ESTATE

Ko Hong-bun, a pawnbroker, who died intestate at Tai Shek To Village, Chungshan District, on Oct. 13, last year, left estate in Hongkong sworn under \$30,500. Letters of Administration have been granted to the widow, Ko Lau-shi.

Local estate sworn under \$10,900 was left by Heinrich Liermann, who died at the War Memorial Nursing Home on February 19 this year. A petition by Herbert Schoenfelder, and Oscar May for grant of probate of the will has been approved.

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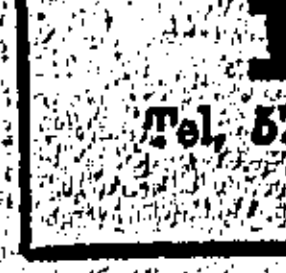
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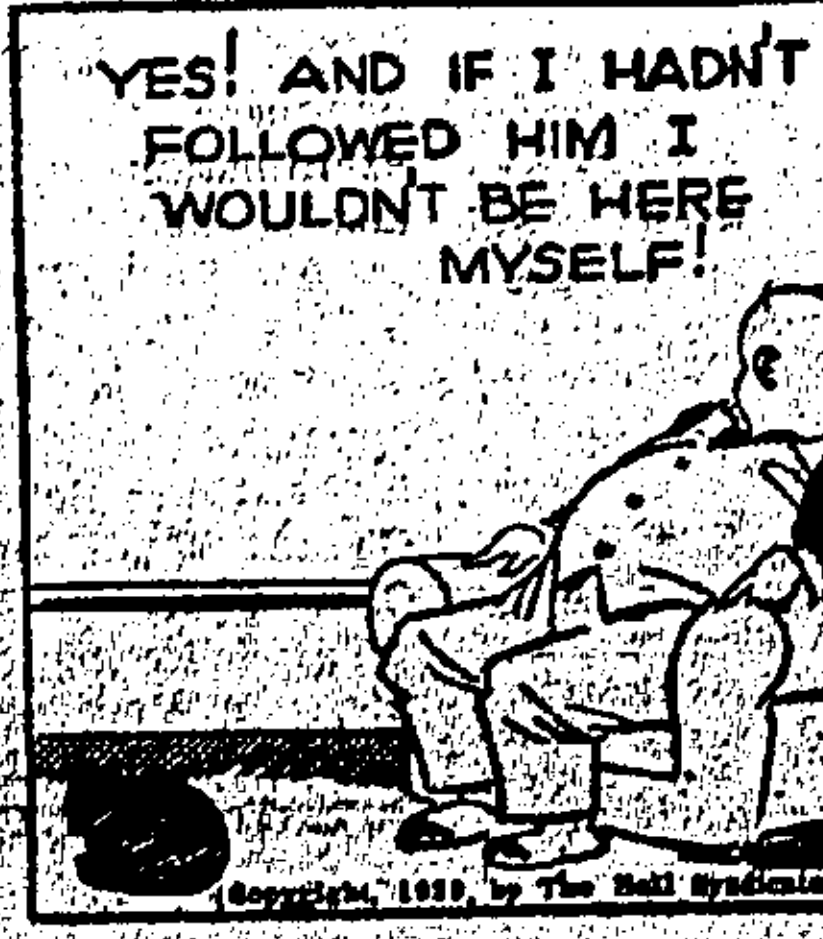
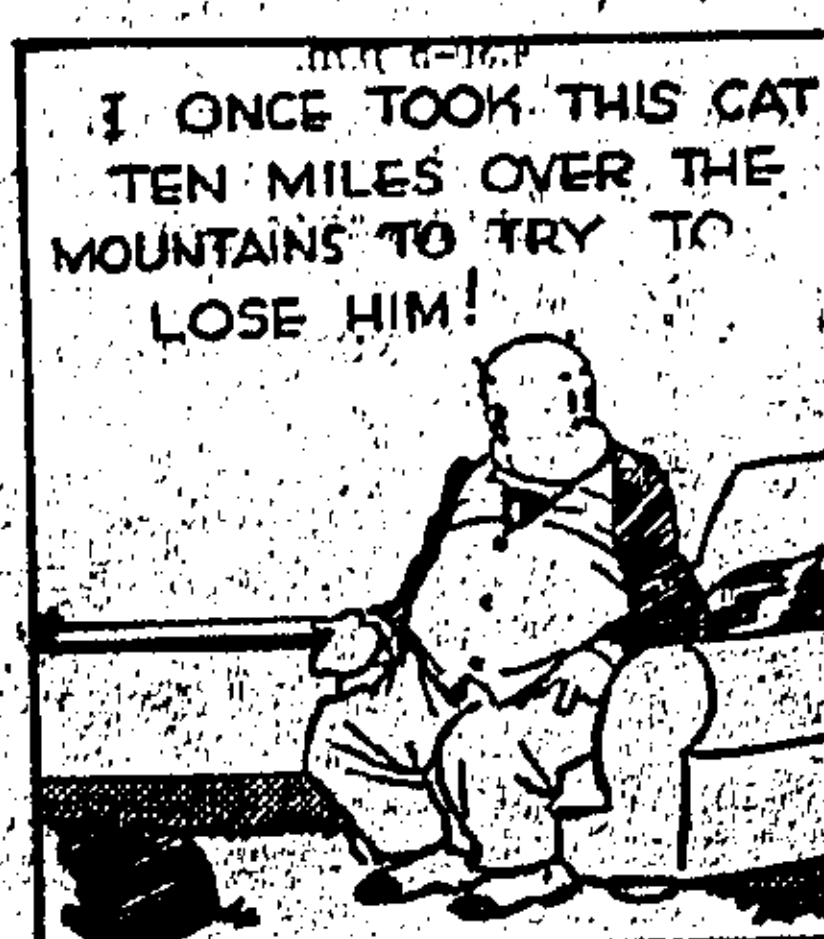


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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1939.

H. M. DOCKYARD HONG KONG.

EXAMINATION FOR LOCAL CLERKS.

A limited competitive examination for vacancies for 3rd grade Local Clerks will be held on 11th April, at 9.30 A.M. Candidates must be between the ages of 19-30. Examination will embrace English Essay and Dictation, Arithmetic and Typewriting.

Application for selection to compete must be made in the candidate's own handwriting and should reach the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Dockyard not later than a.m., 1st April.

Two passport photographs of the candidate must be sent with the application.

THE MACAO ELECTRIC LIGHTING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-eighth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of The Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Second Floor, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 12th day of April, 1939, at 11.30 a.m.

The Register of Members will be closed from Saturday the 1st day of April to Wednesday the 12th day of April, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of The Board of Directors,
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Secretaries.

Hong Kong, 27th March, 1939.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Thirty-fourth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Thursday, the 13th April, 1939, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 29th March to 13th April, 1939, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED,
General Managers.

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HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE

The Ninety Fifth Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the Hong Kong Club will be held in the Club House on Tuesday, the 28th March, 1939, at 5.30 p.m.

By order,

S. R. KERR,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1939.

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ITALY'S CLAIMS

MUSSOLINI'S arrogant flamboyance on the anniversary of the foundation of the Fascist Party cannot but arouse deep concern. It will not pass unchallenged so far as France is concerned, for while Il Duce's colonial claims include Tunisia, Djibouti and the Suez Canal, it is hardly likely that France will make any concessions. So far as the Suez Canal is concerned, Great Britain likewise is not prepared to give in without calling Mussolini's bluff in spite of his statement that "the order of the day is more guns, more ships and more aeroplanes at whatever cost."

BACKED BY PROMISES of material and moral support from the Fuehrer of Germany, Mussolini has defined his tensely-awaited claims—claims which, by their very nature, can be construed to mean nothing else than a challenge to France's Colonial Empire. It was on November 30 last that the Italian press first fanned the flames of Italy's desires in regard to the French possessions, more particularly in Tunisia. The Italian people soon took up the agitation, which, while it lasted, was viewed on all sides with grave concern. When this agitation faded without Il Duce formulating any definite claims against France and gave place to Herr Hitler's coups in Central Europe, it became clear to the outside world that there was some sort of tacit understanding between Rome and Berlin as to when Signor Mussolini was to actually enunciate his claims. The most serious problem created by these demands is in Tunisia and the difficulties which it presents were realized some time ago. M. Daladier, the French Prime Minister, was quick to recognize the seriousness of the position as his hurried visit to Tunis proved. That visit was not without its significance, for the welcome accorded him by the Bey and the natives in Tunis showed that, as between France and Italy, or as between a French and Italian Protectorate, native opinion was wholly on the side of the French. The natives in Tunis have not been slow in understanding that, if their country changed hands, it would spell speedy termination of the Beylical regime, as Tunis would, in such an eventuality, become just another integral part of Fascist Italy and would immediately be governed on totalitarian principles.

IL DUCE must, of course, be aware of the fact that the natives in Tunis would hardly welcome his colonists with open arms. The agricultural

possibilities in Tunis are admittedly of great value, for even in the early days it was recorded that Tunis, which was at that time a part of the Roman Province of Africa, provided Rome with half of its supplies of corn and was, in addition, regarded as a highly developed centre of Roman civilization. Il Duce now, in the role of a second Augustus, has made up his mind to extend Italian influence across the Mediterranean Sea over this prosperous territory with the assistance of his good friend, the Fuehrer.

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WITH THE PASSING of the years, France's rights in Tunis became firmly established and now, by a strange twist of the wheel of fate, it is Germany once again who is seeking to help Italy to wrest from France that which she herself was instrumental in securing for the French people. But, Hitler or no Hitler, France is determined to uphold her rights and she will refuse to budge an inch before Mussolini's claims. There is no room for further concessions.



Under this one was: "The only thing they need fear is the injection of politics by superheated banquet speakers in what is intended to be a friendly visit. The effect of this would be bad."

GOOD-NATURED BURLESQUE

Forthcoming Visit Of King And Queen Satirized In American Skit

The following is an account of the Washington dinner-party stage show which "good-naturedly" burlesqued the King and Queen. One part of the show portrayed the King returning from a White House poker party minus his crown.

The cartoon on this page was front-paged in the "Chicago Tribune," which is strongly anti-Roosevelt. The description of the show which follows is from the "New York Herald-Tribune," which sides with the more moderate opposition.

The forthcoming visit of King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth at the White House was blithely satirized in skits presented by the Women's National Press Club at its annual stunt party at the Hotel Willard, Washington.

"OUR TOWN"

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Lady Lindsay, wife of the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsay, with other women representatives of the Diplomatic Corps—watched a satirical version of the royal couple's stay in "our town."

It included episodes in which the King and Queen were depicted as hard put to find a place to hang up their crowns in their "primitive" White House quarters and in which the lords and ladies accompanying them had to sleep in W. P. A. (Works Progress Administration) barracks on the lawn behind the President's office.

"I say, my love, rawther nice little shooting box," was the first

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The finale showed a pretty girl in red, white and blue costume, flitting alternately with George Washington and the King. She was, the announcer said, the great American public, "who can't help getting a kick out of royalty, though her heart belongs to Saddy."

It is a custom of American newspaper clubs to burlesque world personages at their annual dinner. Mrs. Roosevelt is reported to have described the Washington skit as "a very amusing show." Officially it was stated: "The offence to any one was meant."

CORRESPONDENCE

GAMBLING COMBINE IN HONGKONG

(To the Editor, of the "Hongkong Daily Press")

Sir,—In response to the news item captioned the "Gambling Combine Active," which appeared in your issue of Feb. 28, I will appreciate it very much if you will be kind enough to publish this letter in the interests of the public.

The last year or so has seen such an amazing growth of organized gambling in the Colony, so much so that many residents, like myself, must be wondering whether the authorities are aware of its existence and whether any steps have been taken to deal with the situation.

After the closing of the Shum-chun resort, isolated cases of gambling houses were discovered in the Colony, but the situation has since grown rapidly worse, with the result that there are in existence a number of rendezvous where any kind of illegal games may be indulged in.

That these houses exist is no secret, for the revelations of those who have won or lost would bear witness to it, although it may be stated that one house is never located for any duration at one particular address.

One very dangerous aspect of the question is this—that it appears that these resorts are not individually operated, but seem to be linked together by a central controlling body.

Every public-minded citizen in Hongkong, I feel sure, will agree that to permit a "racket" of this nature to continue will give the Colony not only a bad name, but a considerable amount of trouble.

The sooner the authorities succeed in making a "clean-up," the better it will be for Hongkong, and I would urge the Police and other departments concerned to bestir themselves immediately on such a campaign.

ANTI-GAMBLER.

DEATH OF MR. R. M. XAVIER

Young Victim Of Typhoid

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday of Mr. Ricardo Maria Xavier, who died at the French Hospital on Sunday of typhoid. The Rev. Fr. Rossi officiated at the graveside.

The deceased, who was only 22 years of age, was a member of the staff of the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., and had been for six years a keen member of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

He is survived by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

A large gathering was present yesterday, including Messrs. C. Sequeira, S. Sequeira, G. Souza, A. Souza, A. Cruz, A. Rodrigues, J. C. Remedios, H. Remedios, L. Remedios, A. Remedios, B. Xavier, A. E. Xavier, P. Xavier, J. Soares, L. V. Antonio, F. Fernandes, E. Silva, R. Silva, J. Marques, A. Barros, R. Ribeiro, F. Santos, C. Santos, R. Reed, Fr. Caudan and many others.

A wreath from "Dad, Brothers and Sisters" was interred with the casket. Other wreaths were sent by Mother, Mano, Leo, Patricia and Lily, Anne and Polly, Pedro, Maria and children, "Chico," Laura D. Hyndman, Encida, S. Yusuf, E. V. M. R. de Souza, Miss Lung and C. Lyson, H. Teles Jorge, Mrs. M. S. Rosario and family, Mrs. A. Nunes, Nono and Carlos, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Butt.

The Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., Local Staff, European Staff, Nomadic Hockey Club, Patawan Hat Shop and the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

A.R.P. EXAMINATIONS

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that as a result of the examination held on Mar. 17, 21 and 22, the following have qualified as Air Raid Warden Instructors: Messrs. Chak Tai Kwong, Fung Yam Leung, C. F. Needham, K. S. Leung, S. Simpson, A. W. Tickle, M. A. da Sousa, Tang Shiu Cheung, W. G. Ginn, A. C. Sinton, C. K. Chung, S. K. Luk.

The following have qualified as Air Raid Wardens: Messrs. Chong Kim Wah, H. L. Lockhart, S. Aral, P. L. Young, S. C. Chong.

"China The Indomitable"

Americans Told Of Features Of New China Now At Work

CHUNGKING, MAR. 20 (CENTRAL)—SYMPTOMS INDICATING "A RESERVE OF VIRILITY AND VITALITY, OF LATENT POWER WHICH MUST BE CAUSING THE JAPANESE WARLORDS THE GRAVEST CONCERN" were reported to America by the Rev. Asher Raymond Kepler, D.D., executive secretary of the General Assembly of the Church of Christ in China, who is closely connected with the National Christian Service Council for Wounded Soldiers in Transit, in a broadcast to the United States over Station GXOX this morning at 10.40 o'clock.

Dr. Kepler said: I'm broadcasting from Chungking, the national capital of China. A year has gone by since I last had intimate contact with the National Government. The capital was then still at Wuhan. Since then Hsuehchow, Canton and Hankow have all been occupied by the forces of the enemy. I was eager to learn first hand the effect of these reverses upon the government, to discover what, if any, Japan had been able to make upon China's will to resist. Matters connected with War Relief Activities summoned me to Chungking three weeks ago.

Chungking, the capital, is itself symbolic of the nation. It is a city which is built upon hills of solid rock. Her foundations are shakable. In fact these foundations are being converted into citadels of protection which any amount of air bombing cannot penetrate, which London, Paris and New York might well envy and which only Quebec can hope to duplicate. At a cost of \$700,000 national currency, the government is blasting out of this solid rock upon which the city is built, tunnels and bomb proof shelters with a capacity for 100,000.

TYPICAL INTERIOR CITY

When I last visited Chungking several years ago, she was a typical interior city of 200,000 population with very few modern utilities and conveniences. In its stead I find Chungking a thriving throbbing modern city of 600,000 population with wide paved motor roads, and feverishly widening and paving more. We have modern banks, and office buildings, six and seven stories high, as if shaking defiance at Japan's bombing squadrons. This is not the spirit of a defeated people, but the resurgence of a nation with an indomitable will and an abounding vitality which is a stranger to defeat.

The Kuomintang and the Communist, the military and the civilian, the men, the women, the aged and the youth, are all co-operating with an enthusiasm which was noticeably absent at the beginning of hostilities when only the military and officials and students and the merchants in the port cities seemed to realize the significance of the struggle.

The great mass of the people in market towns and villages did not realize that their own personal destiny or that of the state were vitally bound up with the battalions marching through regions to the distant front. But thanks to the widespread indiscriminate and ruthless bombings of civilian populations by Japan's air armadas, thanks to the rapine and slaughter that has become the common occurrence where Japan's armies have set foot, the nation as a whole is aroused to a degree where any sacrifice is gladly endured. If it will contribute to China's ultimate victory.

GOVERNMENT RESERVES

I wonder if the following data, indicative of the financial strength of the Government, will impress you as forcefully as they have me. The Government still has approximately 50 per cent. reserves behind her paper currency as compared with 64 per cent. at the beginning of hostilities. In spite of Japan's empty victories and China's Fabian retreats, the Chinese dollar to-day is worth more than the Japanese yen. The war is costing Japan, China is still controlling 60 per cent. of her pre-war exports. This is due to the fact that tin, wood oil, pigs' bristles, tea and antimony are her most valuable exports, and these are almost exclusively produced in the southwest and are exported via French Indo-China and the Burma road. Japan's national debt is three times that of China—\$240 yen per capita as over against China's \$13 per capita.

China with one hand is fighting the aggressor, while with the other

It remains for me to make one more stroke with my brush to complete the picture I want you to see. China at present has 200 divisions, or 2,000,000 men, under arms. Of these 600,000 or 60 divisions are now operating behind the Japanese lines, so that we are rapidly seeing realized the prediction of the Generalissimo "that, soon, the Japanese rear will become the front." It is not an exaggeration to say that wherever we find Japanese troops, there is the front; it may be positional warfare, mobile warfare or guerrilla warfare that is being waged.

The guerrillas ceaselessly tear up railway tracks, attack Japanese munition trains, make life miserable in general for the Japanese garrisons wherever stationed, that it becomes entirely impossible for Japan to exploit the so-called occupied areas, commercially and economically. Within the last month, I had conversation with one of the outstanding missionaries in Shansi. He affirmed that in the last twelve months Japan has been able to make no progress in the effective occupation of that province or in its economic exploitation.

This is the picture as I see it after wide travel through all parts of China and after three weeks at the capital. I hope I have succeeded in drawing it sufficiently clear for you to catch its atmosphere of hope—and ultimate victory in the background.

It is China who should have our unstinted co-operation, as she is fighting the battle for democracy and the sanctity of treaties to which we are joint signatories.

SEQUEL TO BITE ON WRIST

Major R. D. Walker, residing at No. 160, The Peak, was summoned before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday for allowing his dog to be insufficiently muzzled or on a lead, and was fined \$5.

The summons was taken out as a result of an incident in Mt. Kellett Road on March 7 when Mrs. Bryden, of No. 168, The Peak, was bitten on the left wrist by defendant's dog.

Major Walker said that his dog was wearing a figure of eight muzzle, a type which was commonly used in Hongkong. Terriers were always aggressive and when a terrier met another terrier there was the possibility of danger.

AIRPORT NEWS

Imperial Airways:
NORTHBOUND
WEDNESDAY:—Bangkok, Hanol, Hongkong, Doyado, Delhi—4.30 p.m.

SOUTHBOUND
FRIDAY:—Hanol, Bangkok, Delhi—7.30 a.m.

Air France:
NORTHBOUND
THURSDAY:—France, Hanol, Hongkong, Service—12.30 p.m.

Pan American Airways:
EASTBOUND
MONDAY (April 3):—U.S.A., Manila, Hongkong, China Clipper—noon.

TUESDAY (April 4):—Manila, U.S.A. China Clipper—8.30 a.m.

Still Time For Franco-Italian Collaboration

NO AGGRESSIVENESS IN IL DUCE'S SPEECH

Nothing In The Nature Of Threat Or Ultimatum

LONDON, MAR. 27 (REUTERS)—WHILE THE SPECIAL EDITIONS OF THE LONDON SUNDAY PAPERS CONTAINING SUMMARIES OF SIGNOR MUSSOLINI'S SPEECH testify to the keen interest taken in his utterances by Britain, the first reactions in authoritative quarters are that Signor Mussolini has not belied the expectations aroused by the recent speech of the King of Italy on Mar. 23.

It is felt that while Il Duce's address does not lack his customary vigour and pugnacity, there is little that can be taken as aggressive in its substance.

No one expected Signor Mussolini to go back upon the axis, but by implication, the speech recognizes the particular needs of Italy, as stated by her King, and expresses the view that there is still time for France and Italy to collaborate for negotiation of the outstanding difficulties.

NO THREAT

In this connection there is nothing in the nature of a threat or ultimatum of any elaboration or extension of the Italian claims, which remain upon the familiar basis.

No one in Britain questions the vital importance of the Mediterranean or Adriatic to Italy and Il Duce's references to these matters certainly give no cause for concern in British quarters.

Signor Mussolini's reference to the danger of ideological conflict recalls that Mr. Chamberlain, as

recently as on Thursday last, emphasised that the desire of Britain was not to "set up in Europe opposing blocs of countries with different ideas about forms of internal administration."

PARIS, Mar. 27 (Reuters)—The first reaction to Signor Mussolini's speech is that the situation has neither improved or grown worse, while the problem as to what exactly Signor Mussolini wants is still not clear.

Belief is, however, felt that Il Duce has delayed forcing the issue, leaving hope for an amicable settlement.

BERLIN, Mar. 27 (Reuters)—Whole-hearted support and approval is accorded Signor Mussolini's speech here. He showed clearly that peace is not tantamount to unconditional preservation of the past, while it is like forbidding the rebuilding of an old house, said one spokesman.

He added: "We declared that the house must be rebuilt. If Britain risks a war, she cannot believe that conditions will remain the same at the end of it."

SECOND NEW BOEING CLIPPER ARRIVES

Footballers Travel From Manila

The second new Boeing Clipper of Pan American Airways flew over Kowloon and came to a graceful halt on the waters at Kai Tak at 12.15 p.m. yesterday.

Capt. U. B. Beer, in control of the Clipper from San Francisco to Hongkong, had fourteen members of the crew and two Company passengers, Mr. W. L. Bond, of C.N.A.C. and Mr. H. Poncetti, a Boeing engineer.

SOUTH CHINA LULL ENDED

Japanese Positions Near Canton Are Attacked

(From Our Own Correspondent)

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27.—Ending the lull of the past two weeks, Chinese troops of the 12th Army Group, strengthened with mechanized units sent down by the Central Authorities, today launched an attack on the Japanese position at Sheng-kang, about 40 miles north of Canton.

One of the motives of the Chinese offensive is to check any possible Japanese advance from Shuntak, south of Canton, to Yungchi and Kwachow, and then farther south to Kongmou and Chungshan.

Chinese bombers are supporting the counter-offensive by raiding the new Japanese aerodrome at Taipingchang. On Mar. 24 the Chinese made a sudden appearance over the air field and systematically bombed the hangars accommodating bombers and scouting planes. The enemy was taken by surprise, and being strafed by Chinese fighters, Japanese planes were unable to take off. Several of them were bombed and destroyed.

PEOPLE ELATED

Chinese planes also carried out reconnaissance flights along West River towns such as Kuanshan, Saleh, Kluikang and other towns. No bombs were dropped in view of the absence of Japanese fortifications and concentrations, but leaflets were dropped asking the Chinese people not to serve the enemy and telling them of coming counter-attacks. The people were elated at seeing Chinese planes droning overhead.

HUGE JAPANESE LOSS IN SHANGHAI FIRE

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27 (Central)—The Japanese have suffered a loss of more than \$2,000,000 as a result of the fire which gutted the N.Y.K. godown near the Japanese Consulate in Shanghai last Friday, according to a Shanghai report.

About 3,000 sacks of Indian cotton valued at \$625,000, which were stored in the warehouse were burnt. In addition, a large quantity of timber and other combustible materials were also reduced to ashes.

PEARL RIVER CLOSURE

MILITARY STILL CARRYING OUT OPERATIONS

CANTON, Mar. 27 (Reuters)—Some of the reasons for the continued closure of the Pearl River were explained by a Japanese military spokesman at the second Japanese press conference held here.

Military operations along the river, he said, were still in progress and, as security was one of the essentials for the success of the operations, it was not possible to allow ships to pass up and down the various areas in which the Japanese were operating.

In addition, the free passage of ships along the river at the present juncture would prove a considerable hindrance to the Japanese troops, who would have to continually consider their safety.

"As soon as military operations permit, the river will be opened," asserted the spokesman.

In regard to the few British steamers which are bottled up in Canton, the spokesman said that they all had cargo on board and that as soon as this was removed they would be allowed to move.

"GOOD CITIZEN" BADGES A FAILURE

In reply to other questions, the spokesman admitted that as a check against crime, the order compelling all Chinese to wear "good citizen" badges had proved a failure. Both the Japanese Army and Navy authorities, realizing the ineffectiveness of the system, were now considering its abolition.

He also announced that the Japanese authorities hoped very shortly to abolish the necessity for foreigners to carry passes when proceeding to the city from Shantien.

REWARD OF 2,000 YEN

A reward of 2,000 yen has been offered by the Japanese military authorities for information leading to the discovery of a Japanese and a Formosan, both civilians, who have been missing since Mar. 3.

They were last seen in the southwestern suburbs of the city, in the vicinity of Tungshiao Village.

ROYAL VISITOR

The city was placed under strict Martial Law the other day on the occasion of the arrival of Prince Asaka, a member of the Japanese Royal Family. The Prince, who landed in Canton by plane from Formosa, is on an inspection trip.

BRIDGE BLOWN UP

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (T/Ocean)—The Japanese advance on the Kiangsi capital, Nanchang, entered

Non-Party Government In Britain

LONDON, MAR. 27 (REUTERS)—THE IMMEDIATE FORMATION OF A NON-PARTY GOVERNMENT, on the widest possible basis was urged by Mr. Anthony Eden during a speech at Grimsby.

He said that such a Government should have a two-fold purpose—firstly, the regimentation of Britain's industry, wealth and manpower in order to put forward a military effort in the shortest possible time, and secondly, the adoption of a vigorous foreign policy by uniting peace-loving nations to resist further acts of aggression, as Lord Halifax appeared to foreshadow in his speech last Monday.

PARTITION OF EIRE

DUBLIN, Mar. 27 (Reuters)—Mr. Eamon de Valera, upon his return from the Coronation of Pope Pius XII, said that he had had conversations with Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Thomas Inskip in London, which were related to matters of common concern between Eire and Britain and to world affairs. It is believed that partition was the major consideration in Mr. de Valera's mind, while the British Ministers were specially interested in defence.

BITTER STRUGGLE RAGES ROUND NANCHANG

Heroic Chinese Resistance To Japanese Advance

SIUHSUI, KIANGSI, MAR. 27 (CENTRAL)—LATEST FIELD DESPATCHES FROM THE KUUKIANG-NANCHANG FRONT LATE YESTERDAY EVENING GIVE THE CHINESE OUTER DEFENCE OF NANCHANG as running in a semi-circular line from Wankiatow to the north, Fengsing to the east, and Wanshoukung to the south, within a radius of fifteen miles from the Kiangsi Provincial Capital.

The Japanese thrust on the Kuukiang-Nanchang Railway towards Nanchang, which developed into large-scale operations towards the early part of last week, assumed proportions of a major push during the week-end. By yesterday afternoon, Chinese defenders were stubbornly holding out against the weight of a gigantic Japanese flanking movement, which planned to cut the Chinese rear from Nanchang.

Fighting was centred on the left wing, running roughly in a parallel line to the east of the railway. The Japanese mechanised units, lumbering into action from Wuning, have crossed the Peiliao River and the Chungliang River to reach the Nanliang River, triple tributaries of the Kan River which washes Nanchang's waterfront.

As is usual with all their big pushes, the invaders resorted to the wanton use of chemicals throughout their operations, rendering hundreds of Chinese soldiers helpless before the advance of the enemy.

Fighting on the centre and right wing, with points north of Lohua as the main field of struggle, remained comparatively calm during the week-end.

BRIDGE BLOWN UP

SHANGHAI, Mar. 27 (T/Ocean)—The Japanese advance on the Kiangsi capital, Nanchang, entered

ed a decisive stage on Sunday when Japanese troops captured the railway station across the Kan River, opposite Nanchang, and the 1,500 metre bridge leading to Nanchang.

Chinese sappers succeeded in blowing up part of the bridge, in spite of the Japanese airmen showering bombs on the Chinese soldiers in order to prevent its destruction.

According to aerial observations, the Chinese troops are retreating southwards of Nanchang. The Japanese point out that the capture of the railway from the Chekiang Coast to Kiangsi Province, which is one of Chungking's few remaining arms supply routes.

CHINESE COUNTER-ATTACK

TUNGSIANG, KIANGSI, Mar. 27 (Central)—To counteract the Japanese advance on the left wing of the Nanchang-Kuukiang front, Chinese forces east of the railway launched a sudden attack on the Japanese forces at Anyi, north-east of Nanchang yesterday morning.

Severe fighting was brought right to the gates of the ancient town, where the Japanese from their entrenched positions offered stiff resistance.

LOYANG, Mar. 27 (Central)—The Japanese at Wenhsien, in northern Honan, have launched a series of attacks on the Chinese position in the vicinity, but were unable to make any headway.

On Mar. 24, a Japanese detachment of about 200 men drove north-eastwards to Pellung. They were intercepted by the Chinese on the way and forced to retreat.

CHUNGKING OFFICIALS TAKE OATH

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27 (Central)—Headed by Mr. Lin Ben, Chairman of the National Government, about 400 officials of the National Government yesterday morning took the oath of loyalty to the State as prescribed in the outline of the National Spiritual Mobilisation Movement.

Raising their right hands, they chanted in unison, the national pact wherein full support of the National Government and allegiance to the Generalissimo are pledged.

Chairman Lin expounded the significance of the oath. This morning about 1,000 officers of the National Military Council took the same oath. Gen. Ho Ying-chin, Chief of the Board of General Staff, officiated.

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PROBLEMS DISCUSSED AT DIOCESAN CONFERENCE

Unemployment, Beggars And Refugee Work

The annual Diocesan Conference was held in St. John's Cathedral Hall yesterday afternoon. The Dean, Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, presided.

Mr. A. C. Jeffreys the past secretary will continue with this work in the capacity, though a relief will be chosen for the position in the near future, lack of time forcing Mr. Jeffreys to resign.

Mr. F. G. Maunder was elected treasurer and Mr. S. Grove honorary auditor.

The Fraternal Delegates elected were Mr. H. Gittins, Mr. C. C. Anderson, Mr. F. Kwok and Mr. R. Ashton-Hill.

Following this election was another for the Executive Council which includes Miss W. Robinson, Mr. G. S. P. Heywood, Mr. R. Ashton-Hill, Rev. J. R. Higgs, Rev. H. D. Rosenthal, Rev. A. P. Rose, Rev. J. C. L. Wong, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mrs. C. G. Anderson, Prof. L. Forster, Mrs. E. Gibbins and Mrs. J. L. Wilson.

After the secretary's and treasurer's reports were read reports followed on the relationship of the Diocesan Conference to the Synod and the V.D.M.A. by Rev. N. V. Halward.

SOCIAL SERVICE

The Social Service Centre of the Churches report was given by Miss E. Elliott in which she stressed the overwhelming need of young people in the tremendous social work to be performed in this Colony. The point was brought out in this report of the need for a council, composed of business and professional men of the churches, to find positions and assist in the big unemployment problem in Hongkong today.

The beggar problem was also taken into consideration. However, Miss Elliott stated her centre could not cope with this situation, and it would have to be turned over to the Government.

Miss A. Atkins read a report on refugee work and stated that the church of St. Peter had opened soup kitchens last summer for the refugees and now they were having to turn many away, 1,100 being all they could care for each day.

The report also stated that 16,000 children were being educated in the seven Government camps throughout the Colony.

Rev. Cyril Brown of the Sailors' Home and Missions to Seamen, expressed the great need of personal contact for the members of the Club. "It is not the mercantile seaman who are crowding our quarters but the sailors of the Royal Navy," he said. "Personal social contact is needed. The hand of personal friendship is not stretched out to these men and they miss it," he continued. The Sailors' Home had given sleeping quarters to 40,000 men in the past year and he hoped the Diocesan Conference could assist him in this regard.

A large amount of work, involving many different fields, was discussed and explained at this meeting by the twenty-five members attending.

NEW CULTURAL ASSOCIATION IN CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Mar. 27 (Central)—A Sino-French-Belgian-Swiss Cultural Association was inaugurated today in Chungking in the presence of over 200 prominent Chinese and foreign leaders. Mr. Wu Chih-hui, veteran Kuomintang leader and a member of this Central Supervisory Committee, was elected Chairman while Mr. Ma Shiang-po, the 100-year-old retired official, Mr. Li Shui-tung, Mr. Chiang Chi and Mr. Choua Jui-chien, Kuomintang elderly statesmen, and M. Edmond Harriet, President of the Deputies of France, were elected Honorary Chairmen.

CITIZEN SERVICE

National Register: First Step Towards Conscription In Britain

LONDON, MAR. 27 (REUTERS)—THE INCREASING URGENCY WITH WHICH THE CONSCRIPTION ISSUE is being discussed in Britain is clearly indicated in the London press during the week-end.

The diplomatic correspondent of the "Sunday Despatch" declares that in political circles some form of conscription is now regarded as inevitable and that the first step towards this will be the announcement shortly of a compulsory national register.

The "Observer" considers that there is little doubt that there is now a majority in Parliament favouring some measure of conscription.

STATUTORY OBLIGATION

While some commentators refer to the Labour Party's opposition to

conscription and also indicate the importance of not disturbing the labour supply for key industries, the great majority of the leaders, writers, agree with the editor of the "Observer," Mr. Garvin, in demanding some form of citizen service as a statutory obligation.

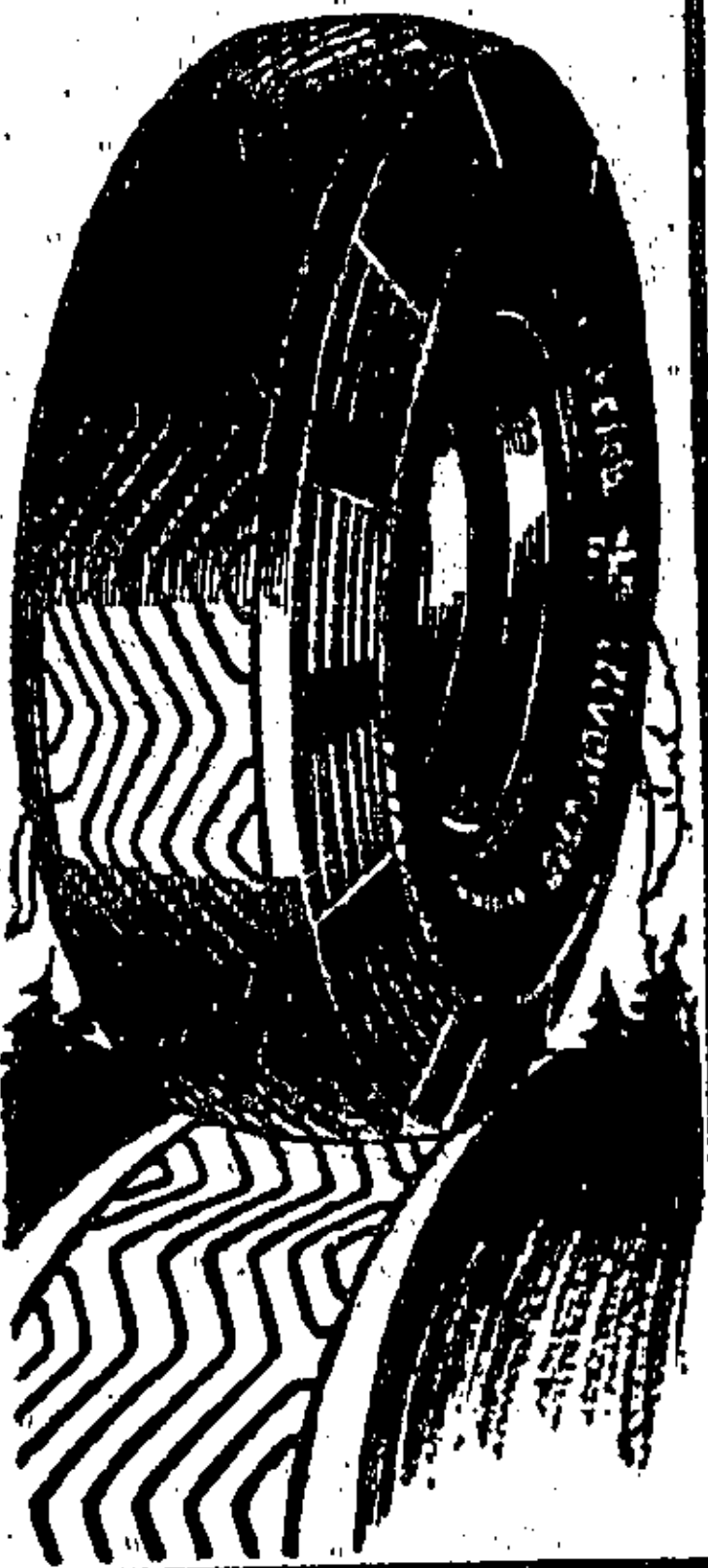
Mr. Garvin adds: "Until we make it plain, to friend and foe alike, that the spirit of this country is utterly resolved to attain equal organization and power by equal service and sacrifice, there will be no sufficient belief in the totalitarian societies that we are as virile as they are in fibre."

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THE SERVICES

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Capt. (O.M.E. 3rd Cl.) J. A. Marshall, B.Sc. (Eng.), A.M.I.Mech.E., to be Maj. (O.M.E. 2nd Cl.) (Dec. 15, 1938). (Substituted for the notification in the Gazette of Jan. 24.)
Capt. (O.M.E. 3rd Cl.) J. L. Morton, A.M.I.Mech.E., to be Maj. (O.M.E. 2nd Cl.) (Jan. 15).

ROYAL ARMY CORPS
Capt. and Paym. G. S. Bates to be Maj. (March 10).
Capt. (Asst. Paym.) H. C. Lyons to be Maj. (Asst. Paym.) (March 10).
QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE
Sister Miss A. N. Smith resigns her appt. (Feb. 12).

The foll. to be Staff Nurses on prov. appt.:—Miss M. L. Holt (Feb. 6); Miss G. N. Evans (Feb. 6); Miss E. M. Gordon (Feb. 15); Miss E. B. Balesby (Feb. 20); Miss E. Swan (Feb. 20); Miss G. Plannery (Feb. 27); Miss D. A. L. Booth-Jones (Feb. 28); Miss D. W. Harvey (Feb. 28).

ESTABLISHMENTS
R.A. Committee.—Lt.-Col. H. V. Allpress, R.A., relinquishes appt. as Maj. R. W. MacKichan, R.A., from Asst. Comdr., Mil. Coll. of Science, to be Secretary (March 1).

MEMORANDA
Maj.-Gen. A. W. Bartholomew, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., ret. pay, Lieutenantant of the Tower of London (March 6).

ROYAL NAVY

HOME FLEET LEAVE

Fourteen days' Easter leave will be given as in past years to the officers and men of ships in the Home Fleet. First parties will be away from noon on March 28 to noon on April 12, and second parties from noon on April 12 to noon on April 27. The ships returned to their home ports from Gibraltar on March 22 and 24.

PROGRAMME OF THE CORNWALL
The following programme has been approved for H.M.S. Cornwall, Captain C. F. Hamill, which recommissioned at Chatham on March 15 for service in the 5th Cruiser Squadron on the China Station.—Leave, 28 March, March 28, and arrive Hongkong May 17.

SEAMEN FOR AIR BASE
The Admiralty are instituting what is called a Fleet Air Arm Supplementary Party to provide guards, boats' crews, aircraft hands, parachute packers, and the like at the air bases at Lee-on-Solent, Ford, Worthy Down, Donibristle, and others to be established.

It has been decided to extend this party to include engine-room artificers, electrical and ordnance artificers, shipwrights, mechanics, leading torpedomen, seamen torpedo men, and ex-seamen and communications branch ratings holding the non-substantive rate of observers' mate or air gunner.

Enrolment will be open to long service pensioners under the age of 55, Royal Fleet Reservists, class "B," ex-naval ratings discharged "continuous service expired," and other ex-naval ratings with at least four years' man's service who were discharged "free," "by purchase," or "on reduction."

The majority of the vacancies will be for maintenance duties on Fleet Air Arm aircraft for which training will be given at appropriate Air Ministry establishments, but a limited number of men will be employed as instructors. Applications should be made to the Commodore, R.N. Barracks, Portsmouth (Fleet Air Arm Drafting Office), irrespective of the port division to which a man belonged during his active service.

SENIOR OFFICERS' TRAINING
The first of the 1939 terms at the Senior Officers' Technical Course at

Portsmouth, which began on January 9, ended on Mar. 10. Among the officers who have attended this course are Commander H. R. Inigo-Jones, of the Royal Indian Navy, and four commanders of the Royal Naval Reserve. The next course will be held from April 24 to June 23.

DESTROYER CHANGES
On the conclusion of the combined fleet exercises now in progress in the vicinity of Gibraltar, the Wishart, Lieutenant-Commander J. S. M. Richardson, attached to the aircraft-carrier Glorious, will exchange crews with the Bulldog, Commander T. I. Bragg, of the Local Defence Flotilla at Gibraltar, and the Bulldog will in future work with the Glorious.

The Wren, Lieutenant-Commander P. Somerville, attached to the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal, is to be relieved by the Boreas, late of the 4th Flotilla, Home Fleet, and the Wren will be reduced to reserve. The Boreas is at present under rent at

PAYMASTER OF THE EXCELLENT
Paymaster Captain L. N. Sampson, M.V.O., O.B.E., has taken up the post of senior accountant officer in the Excellent.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS
The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:
Capt.—A. C. Collinson, to President for S. O. War Course (March 27); Sir Atwell H. Lake, Bt., O.B.E., to President for S. O. War Course (March 20).
Cdr. (E)—E. T. Goddard, to President for service inside Admiralty (April 4).

Surgn. Cdr.—T. J. O'Riordan, M.B., to Drake for R.N.B. (April 6).
Surgn. Cdr. (D)—P. W. Watt, L.D.S., to Tamar (April 1).
Surgn. Lts. (D)—K. S. Armstrong-Lamb, L.D.S., A. R. Hayes, L.D.S. (senr.), antedated to July 13 and Sept. 12, 1938, respectively.

Sub-Lt.—C. P. W. Wells-Cole, to Emerald (March 16); to Rodney (April 12); E. B. Mitchell, to Osprey for course (March 20).
Schoolmasters (Prob.)—G. D. T. Jones, to Victory for Sig. Sch. G. E. Thomas, to Dedanah (March 27).

PROMOTIONS
Sub-Lt. (F/O, R.A.F.)—B. E. Boulding, W. A. F. Fryer, to rank of Act. Lt. (senr.) respectively Aug. 1, 1937, and Jan. 16, 1939).
Sub-Lt. (E)—C. G. Crill, to rank of Lt. (E) (senr.) (Feb. 1, 1939).

RETIREMENT
Payr. Cdr.—R. P. Mackenzie, with rank of Payr. Capt. (March 11).

THE ARMY

APPOINTMENTS IN INDIA
The Commander-in-Chief, India, has made the following appointments:
Colonel R. D. T. Wolfe, M.C., is confirmed in the appointment of Deputy Director of Ordnance Services in the M.G.O. Branch, Army Headquarters.

Major H. L. C. Robertson, 15th Punjab Regiment, is to be officiating Deputy Director of Staff Duties Army Headquarters.

Major S. C. Kirkman, M.C., 6th Medium Regiment, R.A., to be officiating G.S.O.2 in the General Staff Branch, Army Headquarters.

Major C. H. Akhurst, Royal Corps of Signals, is confirmed in the appointment of G.S.O.2, Army Headquarters.

Major A. W. Nicholls, O.B.E., R.I.A., S.C., to be officiating D.A.Q.M.G., Army Headquarters.

Captain R. E. Pease, 5th Royal Gurkha Rifles, to be officiating Staff Captain, Q.M.G. Branch, Army Headquarters.

Lieutenant-Colonel T. O. Thompson, R.A.M.C., to be officiating D.D.H. and P. Army Headquarters.

ESCAPED FATE OF LORD KITCHENER

Mr. Arthur Riddle, 55, head of an outfitting business in Paris, who was an engineer lieutenant-commander in the cruiser Hampshire during the war, has been found dead in the woods of Meulan, near Paris.

The preliminary inquiry established that Mr. Riddle had been strangled by means of a handkerchief, which had been tied in a running knot to a branch. The sum of £8 and identity papers were found on the dead man.

Dr. Petis, the police expert at Versailles, who examined the body, concluded that death was caused by suicide.

Mr. Riddle, who was born at Galashiels, Scotland, established himself in Paris after the war and became a prominent member of the British colony and of the British Legion.

He owed his life during the war to the fact that he was on shore leave when the Hampshire with Lord Kitchener sailed on her ill-fated voyage in June, 1916.

Lieutenant-Colonel E. F. S. Harvey, L.A.O.C., is confirmed in the appointment of Assistant Director of Ordnance Services at Poona.

Major E. R. Page, 19th Hyderabad Regiment, to be D.A.A.G., Southern Command.

Major R. H. Stalker to be D.A.D. of Veterinary Services, Rawalpindi District.

Major R. A. Hutton, 2nd K. E. O. Gurkha Rifles, to be Brigade Major, 2nd (Rawalpindi) Infantry Brigade.

Major A. Boyce-Cooper, 5th Maharatta L. I., to be Military Attache in Kabul.

Major A. G. Russell to be Commandant of the 10th Battalion, 8th Punjab Regiment.

Major L. E. Macgregor, O.B.E., to be Commandant of the 1st Battalion, 12th Frontier Force Regiment.

STEEL HELMET
A new type of steel helmet is being issued to the Army.

All markers on regular ranges are to wear red jackets since, in modern rifle and machine-gun practice, the markers must come out of the butts to mark the field targets.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

CRANWELL STATION
COMMAND
Air Commodore Douglas Harries, A.F.C., has been appointed in command of the air station at Cranwell, consequent on the formation of a new No. 21 (Training) Group at this station, with Air Vice-Marshal J. E. A. Baldwin, C.B., D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant of the R.A.F. College, as Air Officer Commanding.

LONG RANGE UNIT DISBANDED
The March Official Air Force List shows that the Long Range Development Unit has been disbanded. Wing Commander O. R. Gayford and the other members of the unit have been appointed supernumerary to the R.A.F. Station at Upper Heyford, ex-cent Squadron Leader P. Kellett, who is on the sick list.

WING COMMANDER BURNS
Squadron Leader E. S. Burns, of the Directorate of Training, Air Ministry, has been promoted to wing commander in the March list.

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SMALL PROPORTION OF EARNINGS FOR DISTRIBUTION

Comments At Meeting Of H.K. And Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

Comments on the small proportion of the company's earnings which the Board of Directors recommended should be distributed in dividends and bonus were made by Mr. G. V. T. Marshall, when he seconded the adoption of the report and balance sheet for 1938 at the annual general meeting of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company Ltd., held at the company's offices in Queen's Building yesterday.

A net profit of \$1,605,471.92 was reported by the Chairman of Directors, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, who stated that the question of appropriation on this occasion had been given more consideration by the board than it ever had before. He said the board appreciated only too well the sacrifice made by shareholders in 1935, but that was only three years ago, and it was too soon at the beginning of 1939, to allow themselves to be carried away by the results of two abnormal years' trading.

DIRECTORATE CHANGES

Changes in the Directorate were confirmed by shareholders. The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo replaced Sir Robert Ho Tung, who had resigned for reasons of health, and Mr. D. F. Landale took the seat of the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, who had gone on long leave and resigned. The Chairman paid a tribute to the services rendered by Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Those present were the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Chairman), Mr. D. F. Landale, Mr. J. H. Jensen, Mr. S. T. Williamson, Mr. D. Drummond, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo (Directors), Mr. E. Cock (Chief Manager), Mr. E. L. Hosie (Secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. W. W. Rae, M. H. Lo, Leung Fat-tin, Lo Kook-hang, Lo Koon-han, Archibald David, G. V. T. Marshall, Shum Hip-tong, W. Brown, A. Vaswani, W. L. MacKenzie, N. V. A. Croucher, Wong Pak-kan.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said:—"Gentlemen, The figures which your board have the pleasure to put before you have had our most serious consideration. The year commenced with nearly all our typhoon repairs completed, the exception being the 'Talamba' which did not leave our hands until March 15, 1938.

The improvement which we anticipated, and to which I referred in my speech last year, was greater than we expected and the gross profit of \$2,121,023.04 is the largest we have ever earned by work for in our best previous year, namely 1921, we were helped by exchange fluctuations which worked out to our advantage.

The net profit is \$1,605,471.92 and shows the effect of new construction in that it is less than might be expected, while stocks of material which are reduced from \$3,221,261.27 to \$2,519,379.11 are likewise governed by the new work in hand and are at values less than replacement prices. Depreciation is on the usual basis and is considered ample.

You will observe with pleasure, I trust, that, due partly to your support of the new issue, the overdraft is down by \$2,286,268.32 on last year, but nevertheless is still substantial.

During 1938 we brought our crane into full use and it has fully justified its purchase and erection.

We also purchased a large lathe which has been installed in a temporary site until it can be transferred to the new heavy machine shop which I referred to last year. The heavy shop is still under construction at this date but should be ready for use by the end of 1939.

During the year we completed 17 new ships, with a total tonnage of 11,643.

DIESEL ENGINES

Last year I referred to the fact that we had orders for five Diesel engines. Our first Diesel engine ran its shop trials on May 13, 1938, and was installed in the Motor vessel 'Mamotu' which left Hongkong in June. Our second and third engines were installed in the Motor ship 'Matafele' which was delivered to her owners, Messrs. Burns Philp & Co., Ltd., in November, 1938.

Two more engines for these owners are shortly due for delivery and I would like to thank Messrs. Burns Philp and their Superintendent, Mr. Corrigan, for the trust they placed in us in this new branch of our activities. These engines on the Burnmaster & Wain System have been built under sub-

licence from Messrs. Harland & Wolff, Ltd., who have been especially helpful in making available to us all their great experience. Two steamers of importance were delivered during the year, the 'Wing Sang' and 'Tai Sang' for our esteemed clients, the Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd. These ships were each fitted with four cylinder triple expansion engines with Götaverken Exhaust Turbines, giving the vessels a loaded speed of 14 knots. Of a distinctive and shapely appearance we believe that these ships will bring us nothing but credit. This considerable amount of new tonnage has given plenty of work to our staff, while at the same time, we have not experienced what we had come to regard as normal, a slack summer period for repair work.

EUROPEAN CONTACTS

Mr. Cock spent September, October and a part of November in Europe and took the opportunity to call on our clients there, renewing and refreshing personal contacts made by him in 1935. The heavy calls made on our staff have received the usual ready and skilful response from them and we trust the special recognition we ask you to make will have your approval.

I have of course read the anonymous correspondence in our local papers expressing disappointment at the small proportion of our earnings which the board recommended should be distributed in dividends and bonus. I have also had a letter from a shareholder expressing similar views on behalf of himself and other shareholders, a method of criticism infinitely preferable to anonymous letters to the press, to which, for obvious reasons, we cannot reply.

The views of shareholders are of course at all times welcome to the board, and I hasten to assure them that the question of appropriation on this occasion has had more consideration than perhaps it ever had before. The board appreciates only too well the sacrifice made by shareholders in 1935, and have every reason to believe that that sacrifice will prove eventually not to have been made in vain.

At the same time when we reflect upon the uncertainty of the outlook in 1935—only 3 years ago—it is surely too soon at the beginning of 1939 to permit ourselves to be carried away by the results of two abnormal years' trading. For these two last years must be considered as coming within that category.

One of the great difficulties the management has always had in the past and which I fear they always will have is to keep our work on an even keel. Only too often it has been a case of feasts alternating with famines, and invariably the more sumptuous the feast, the more severe the famine. What we all want I am sure, is a steady return on our investments one that is fair alike to our shareholders and our clients, and which, in time, will give the Dock Company its proper place amongst the sound and stable industrial investments of the Colony. To attain that end a conservative non-opportunistic policy is obligatory to-day, and although the adoption of it appears to have once more plunged some shareholders into the mists of disappointment, it is, in the considered judgment of your Board, the only course, if these mists are ever to be dispelled by the continuous sunshine of regular dividends.

SHANGHAI INSECURITY

We must bear in mind that during the last two years there has been a certain amount of insecurity in Shanghai where the Yards have been working under very considerable hardships; while, at the same time, the vast ship-building and engineering resources of Japan have mainly been occupied in satisfying national requirements. When things return to normal, we must expect to feel the embarrassing effects of their

activities, especially from Shanghai if China's national dollar remain at its present level.

Prudence therefore demands that we conserve our resources, always keeping it within our power, without again dangerously increasing our overdraft, to improve our equipment and facilities, and keep ourselves in the forefront. Under our present Chief Manager and with our lively recollections of several years of difficulty, you may rest assured that, in this respect, no extravagance will be permitted, but only such improvements as make for economy, efficiency, and the enhancement of our reputation in the eyes of shipowners.

When the earning power of these improvements, some of which I have already mentioned, has been established, the Board will undoubtedly give careful consideration to the capitalization of the reserves thus employed. They regard this method of compensating shareholders for their past sacrifices as a sounder one than the distribution of large dividends during abnormal years, which cannot be maintained, and I trust therefore it may prove feasible in the not too distant future.

SITUATION OBSCURE

From the point of view also, of the obscurity surrounding the Eastern situation and international affairs generally, your directors recommend a cautious policy and therefore while we have every reason to be well satisfied with the remarkable progress made since 1935, I earnestly ask you, for the reasons I have given, to approve the allocations proposed by your board.

I cannot close my remarks without a reference to the retirement from the board of Sir Robert Ho Tung. In November, to our great regret, we received a letter from Sir Robert tendering his resignation for reasons of health. Sir Robert joined your board in 1920 and during the succeeding years many of them difficult ones, his shrewd advice and far-sighted counsels have proved invaluable to his colleagues.

I am sure you will all join with me in expressing our regret at the step he has felt it necessary to take, and our hope that his health may be restored. We have invited the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo to take Sir Robert's place, feeling confident that, with the reputation, Mr. Lo enjoys in the Colony, his appointment will be cordially endorsed at this Meeting.

Since the report has been published, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson has gone on long leave and has resigned. We have invited Mr. Landale to join the board and you will be asked to confirm this with the other appointment to which I have referred. I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as circulated.

MR. MARSHALL'S COMMENTS

Mr. G. V. T. Marshall then rose. He said:—

It may appear somewhat paradoxical for me to rise to second the adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1938 when I confess that I am the author of two letters which appeared in the local press under the pseudonym of "Investment," and, therefore, am privileged to accept the Chairman's very mild rebuke for so writing to the Press.

Informally discussing these two letters with Mr. Cock, some doubt was expressed of my willingness to second this Resolution, but in reply I stated I should be particularly pleased to do thus have the opportunity of expressing the views of the several shareholders who have approached me recently.

If I may have a little of your time I will very briefly outline my attitude towards the Company.

TALK WITH CHIEF MANAGER
Ever since this Company was re-organised and placed in the hands of our Chief Manager, so ably supported by Mr. Hosie, the public has had the greatest confidence in the Company, and my confidence is strengthened by a casual remark made to me by Mr. Cock when that re-organisation had been completed.

Mr. Cock said: "If I can't make the Company pay I will eat my hat."

As, apparently, Mr. Cock does not appear to have eaten his hat, there is no reason for anyone to lose confidence in the future of the Company, irrespective of when, and what, competition eventually may have to be faced.

But to revert to those two letters I addressed to the Press under the cloak of anonymity, I sincerely hope they did not cause any offence to the Directors or in any way insinuate that I was trying to indicate a want of confidence in those Directors. If it is

felt that I did, I can but apologise and, if so desired, would willingly call for a vote of confidence.

I have great faith in the Directors myself, but I did, and do still, feel that a more generous consideration of shareholders was justified on the figures for 1938. I fully appreciate that Reserves must and should be built up, but I do not perhaps take such a pessimistic view of the future as, apparently, the Directors do. It is obvious that the Company cannot make a profit unless it is sufficiently and suitably employed, but the amount of such employment to show a satisfactory year is a very different one to what was required before the re-organisation of the Company.

COMPANY MORE EFFICIENT
It may be impertinent to venture to express an opinion, but I believe and hope the Company is in a much more efficient state than it has been for some years and, that being so, it therefore follows that the necessary employment of the Company to show results must be correspondingly easier to obtain.

Many shareholders of to-day are very dependent on dividends from investments and they, not unnaturally, want a big dividend as is possible to get, but I hope none would urge the Directors to adopt a policy without thought of the future, and, conversely, few would endorse what I may perhaps be permitted to describe as the too conservative policy which some of us think has been adopted towards 1938.

If, instead of carrying forward to 1939 \$373,107 odd, a little more thought for the shareholders had been given, a general disappointment would not have been created.

BONUS TO STAFF

And, here, it is opportune for me to disassociate myself entirely with any remarks on the relationship of the amount paid in dividends and/or bonus and the amount paid as bonus to the Staff. Such comparisons are odious. It is the Staff we look to for successful years and I should like to feel that when we reach those gloomy years when a dividend cannot be declared—days the Directors may see but which I cannot—the Company will never be unable to give tangible appreciation of the efforts of the Staff, even if shareholders may have to forego a dividend.

I have exchanged letters with the Chairman regarding the distribution of the amount available for 1938, and now am satisfied nothing can be done to alter the distribution as has been included in the Report for 1938, but I would reiterate that I do feel shareholders have but to express their disappointment with a declared dividend to ensure both the sympathetic consideration of your Directors, and if it be possible, in one way or another a more liberal distribution as far as concerns 1939.

If the experience the Chairman has been taught since 1933, as expressed in his speech at the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, and repeated, in part, by a shareholder at the Meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., expressed in this one sentence: "the best course is to go ahead just as if no uncertainties exist," a remark equally applicable to the direction of this Company—if that has not been forgotten, surely shareholders reasonably may look forward to more liberal consideration in the immediate future.

I now beg to second the Resolution for the adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1938.

The report was unanimously adopted.

CHAIRMAN'S REPLY

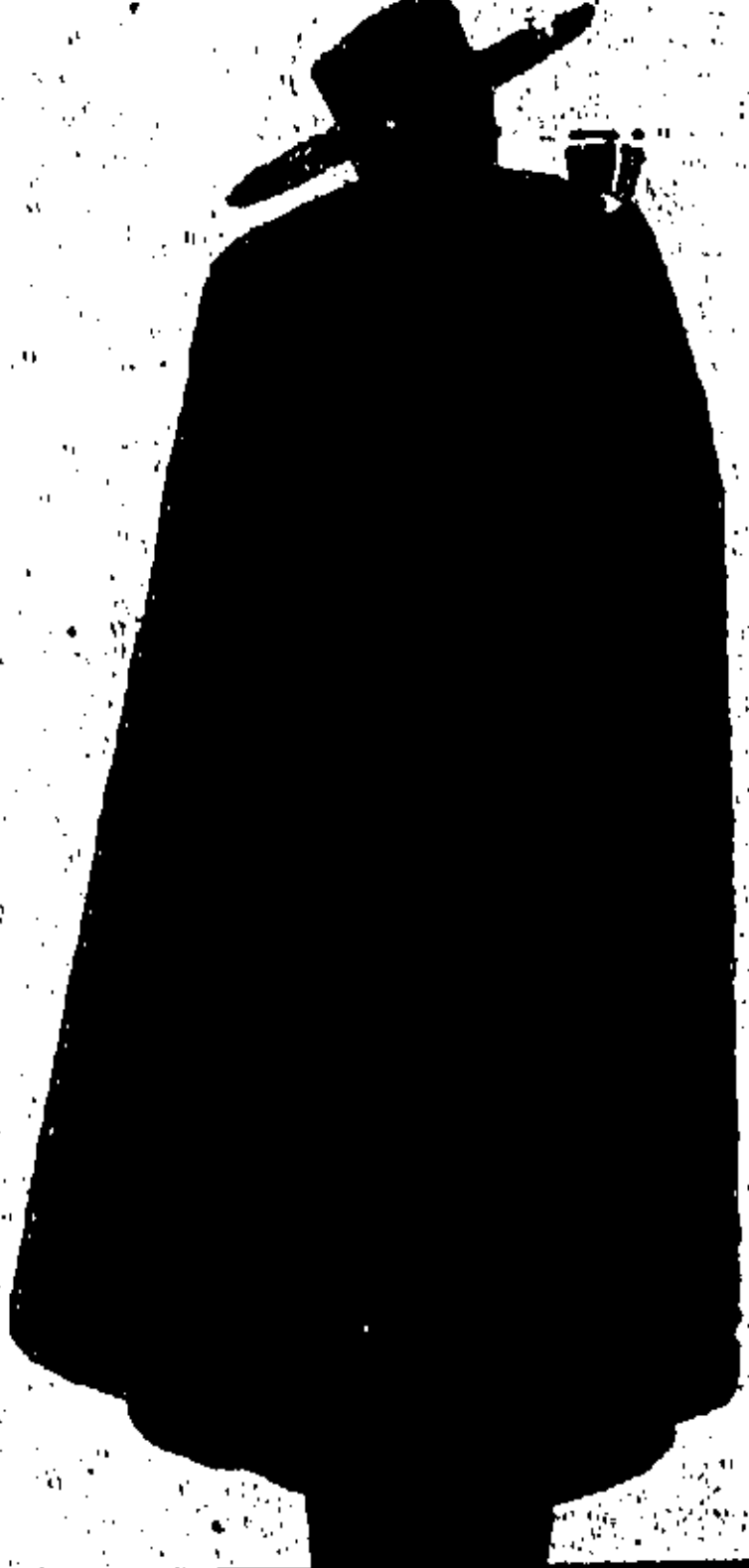
The Chairman, Mr. Marshall, is not only the author of the anonymous letters but also the letters from the shareholders to which I referred.

We shall certainly keep Mr. Marshall's views before us. I said in my speech, however, the Board consider it a sounder policy to reward the shareholders by capitalising some of the reserves when we are satisfied that they are not being economically used.

I think you will agree that we cannot pay an enormous dividend as we might lose a lot of our business in that way. Circumstances forced us to reduce our capital in 1935 rather below what it should be.

OTHER BUSINESS

The re-appointment of Messrs. J. H. Jensen and G. T. Williamson to the Board of Directors was unanimously passed, as was the appointment of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. D. F. Landale. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Perry Smith, Seth and Fleming were unanimously re-elected Auditors.



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The ANNUAL BALL
will be held at
PENINSULA HOTEL
ON
FRIDAY, APRIL 14
AT 9.30 P.M.
Tickets \$4.00 each including Supper
Tables can be reserved at Hongkong Hotel
or Peninsula Hotel.

WEATHER REPORT
HONGKONG ROYAL OBSERVATORY
10 a.m. March 27.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.99 ins.
Temperature, 67 F.
Humidity 95 per cent.
Wind Direction, East.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Temperature; maximum yesterday, 63 F.
Temperature; minimum last night, 62 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th to-day, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 4.63 ins.
Against an average of 5.30 ins.
Sunset to-night, 8.37 p.m.
Sunrise to-morrow, 6.21 a.m.
4 p.m. March 27.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.87 ins.
Temperature, 69 F.
Humidity, 93 per cent.
Wind Direction, East.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.
Maximum temperature, 72.
Minimum temperature, 62.
Rainfall, 0.00.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE
From 28 Mar. to 8 Apr. 1939

Day	Week	Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
			Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	28	h.m.	09 20	4.0	06 36	2.0
		h.m.	14 01	4.0	23 18	2.0
Wed.	29	h.m.	08 02	4.0	07 25	4.0
		h.m.	15 22	6.5	23 25	1.8
Thurs.	30	h.m.	06 25	4.2	09 37	4.1
		h.m.	16 53	6.5		
Fri.	31	h.m.	07 13	4.8	09 24	1.7
		h.m.	14 14	6.5	11 45	2.3
Sat.	1	h.m.	07 49	6.0	01 18	1.5
		h.m.	15 25	6.0	12 04	2.3
Sun.	2	h.m.	08 24	5.4	01 58	1.8
		h.m.	16 24	6.8	12 57	3.2
Mon.	3	h.m.	08 57	5.8	02 30	1.7
		h.m.	17 19	6.8	14 45	3.1

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver, Supreme Court

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

TUESDAY, the 28th MARCH, 1939

Commencing at 11 a.m.

At No. 58 Belchers Street

THE STOCK-IN-TRADE, FURNITURE AND FIXTURES

of the Kwong Kam Loong Chan, in bankruptcy

to be sold in One Lot

(The Stock consists of Teak Logs and Teak Planks, etc.)

Inspection orders may be had from the Undersigned.

On VIEW from SATURDAY, the 25th MARCH, 1939.

Terms: As Customary.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

WEDNESDAY, the 29th MARCH, 1939

Commencing at 10.30 a.m.

At No. 11A, Carnarvon Road, Kowloon. (Top floor).

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

also

One Radio Gramophone

and

One Electric Refrigerator "Gibson"

On VIEW from TUESDAY, the 28th MARCH, 1939.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

FRIDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1939

Commencing at 5.15 p.m.

At their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road, Central. (Room No. 205, 2nd Floor).

A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF POSTAGE STAMPS

On VIEW from THURSDAY, the 30th MARCH, 1939.

TERMS:—Cash on Delivery

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

TERMS:—Cash on Delivery

LAMMERT BROS., AUCTIONEERS.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

MARCH 27, 1939

On London:	—
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 3/32	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 3/32	
Credits 4 months' sight 1/2 1/32	
On Shanghai:	—
On demand	176 nom
On Singapore:	—
On demand	52 7/8
On Japan:	—
On demand	1 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 3/8	
and demand	1 1/2
On New York:	—
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 13/16	
Credits, 60 days' sight 1/2 5/16	
On Batavia:	—
On demand	54 3/16
On Paris:	—
Bank Bills, on demand 1087	
Credits 4 months' sight 1127	
On Saigon:	—
On demand	108 5/8
On Manila:	—
On demand	57 7/8
On Bangkok:	—
On demand	150 3/4
Sterling Notes:	—
Bank Buying Rate 1/2 31/32	
Bar Silver per oz.	20

Market Report

From Ross Bros.

Silver prices were unchanged over the week-end, the quotations remaining at 20 for Ready and 19 1/16 for Forward. Silver advances reported a quietly steady market with hardly anything doing. American Silver was quoted at 42 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 468.18. New York/London was quoted at 468.1/4.

Market
Opened with indications of easiness but later reacted slightly.

Sterling
Business was done at 1/2 7/8 for May delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 1/2 7/8 March/May and 1/2 27/32 June/July, buyers at 1/2 29/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 June/July.

U.S. Dollars
Business was done at 29 1/16 for March and 29 for April. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 29 for March/April, 28 15/16 May, 28 7/8 June and 28 13/16 July, buyers at 29 1/16 for March, 29 1/8 for May, 28 15/16 June and probably 28 7/8 July.

Shanghai Dollars
180 for Spot.

Shanghai Market
8 1/4 sellers of Sterling for Spot and U.S. Dollars at 183.32 for Spot.

Afternoon Market
Quiet.

Sterling
The market closed with sellers at 1/2 7/8 March/May and 1/2 27/32 June/July, buyers at 1/2 29/32 March/May and 1/2 7/8 July, probably June.

U.S. Dollars
The market closed with sellers at 29 for March/April, 28 15/16 May and 28 7/8 June, buyers at 29 1/8 early April, probably March, 29 May and 28 15/16 June.

Shanghai Dollars
180.

Shanghai Exchange
Shanghai, Mar. 27 (Reuters).

	Opening
London	15-5/8
New York	56-7/8
Paris	548
Hongkong	53-3/8

Open Market—Selling Rates

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/8-1/4	0/8-1/4
March	0/8-1/4	0/8-1/4
April	0/8-1/4	0/8-1/4
May	0/8-15/64	0/8-15/64

U.S. Dollars

	Spot	March	April	May
U.S. Dollars	\$16-3/32	\$16-3/32	\$16-3/32	\$16-1/32
Spot	\$16-3/32	\$16-3/32	\$16-3/32	\$16-1/32
March	\$16-3/32	\$16-3/32	\$16-3/32	\$16-1/32
April	\$16-1/16	\$16-1/16	\$16-1/16	\$16-1/32
May	\$16-1/32	\$16-1/32	\$16-1/32	\$16-1/32

Market—Very quiet.

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/8-1/4.

U.S. Dollars, 1/16-1/16.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. to-day was 1/2-1/2d., unchanged from Saturday.

The Equalisation rate was 5 per cent.

BOMBAY SILVER
Unofficial Quotations
Indian Mint Silver

Ready 82-05 82-05
Apr. 17 Settlement 82-06 82-06
May 17 Settlement 82-07 82-07
Market—Quiet but steady.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Monday, March 27.

Canton Ins.	10	\$2,250.00
Electricity	100	\$5.75
Trams	100	\$16.15
Trams	500	\$16.20
Trams	700	\$16.25
China Lights (N)	500	\$5.50
Consol. Mines	20,000	Pa. 0.02

BRITISH LORRIES FOR CHINA

The contract was signed at the Chinese Embassy, London, recently by the Chinese Ambassador on behalf of the Chinese Government and representatives of Messrs John Thornycroft and Co. for the supply to China of 300 fully equipped light and heavy motor lorries for service on the new Burma-Yunnan road. The total value of the contract is \$223,011, including \$30,884 for spare parts and breakdown equipment.

Payment is guaranteed by the Export Credits Department. The lorries are to be delivered in Rangoon, and the first shipment is due to be made within four weeks.

The Chinese Government has now accepted the invitation to China to participate in the conferences of the International Tea Federation which are to be held in London some time in March, 1940. A Chinese Government representative will be sent to London, while the Ministry of Economics has decided to send samples of red and green tea to the conference as exhibits, with a view to reviving

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION

STOCKS	Last Sale Mar. 25	STOCKS	Last Sale Mar. 25
Adams Express	84	International Harvester	57 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	21	Int. Nickel	49 1/2
Allied Stores	9 1/2	Int. Tel. & Tel.	8
Allis Chalmers	39	Johns Manville	83
Amer. Can.	80 1/2	J. & Laughlin Steel	47 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	2 1/2	Kennecott Copper	35 1/2
Amer. & Foreign 7 1/2 pt.	17 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	50
Amer. Gas & Elec.	35 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	23 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	22 1/2	Loew's Inc.	44
Amer. Metals Co.	32 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	35 1/2
Amer. Radiator	14	Monasanto Chemical	99
Amer. Rolling Mill	18 1/2	Montgomery Ward	48 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	43 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	14 1/2
Amer. Sugar Ref.	20 1/2	Nat. Distillers	27 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158 1/2	National Gypsum	14
Amer. Tobacco "B"	84 1/2	National Lead	22 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	11 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8 1/2
Anaconda Copper	27 1/2	National Steel Corp.	72 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	33 1/2	Nat. Supply Corp.	10 1/2
Auburn Motors	—	New York Central	17 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	6 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	8 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	18 1/2	N. American Aviation	18 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	15 1/2	North American Co.	22 1/2
Bendix Aviation	23 1/2	Northern Pacific	10 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	67 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33
Boeing Airplane Co.	26 1/2	Pacific Lighting	48 1/2
Borg-Warner	27 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Biggs Manufacturing	24 1/2	Paramount Pictures	9 1/2
Brooklyn-M'hattan Trans.	10	Pennsylvania R.R.	20 1/2
B'klyn-M'hattan 88 cum pf.	35	Phelps-Dodge	37 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	41	Phillips Petroleum	37 1/2
Case, J.I.	—	Public Service of N.J.	35
Celanese	19 1/2	Pulman Inc.	30 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	35 1/2	Pure Oil	9
Chrysler Corp.	78	Radi Corp. of Am.	7
Columbia Gas & El.	7	Republic Steel	18 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pt.	89 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	38 1/2
Commercial	51 1/2	Richfield Oil	8 1/2
Commonwealth & S. (ord.)	1 1/2	Richfield Stores	33 1/2
Cwealth & S. 8% cum pf.	57 1/2	Schenley Distillers	15 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2	Schenley, 5 1/2 pld.	—
Consolidated Oil	8 1/2	Sears Roebuck	71
Continental Can	39 1/2	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Continental Oil	27	Socomey-Vacuum Oil	12 1/2
Corn Products	65 1/2	Southern Pacific	15 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	6	Southern Ry 5 1/2 pld.	25 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	6	Sperry	42 1/2
Deere & Co.	20 1/2	Standard Brands	42 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	34
Douglas Aircraft	67	Standard Oil of California	23 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	67	Standard Oil of N.J.	48
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/2	Stone & Webster	13
Eaton Mfg. Co.	23 1/2	Swift International	27 1/2
Elec. Autoelite	33 1/2	Technicolor	18 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	9 1/2	Texas Corp.	42 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5 1/2 pt.	70 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	30
Elec. Bond & Share 3 1/2 pt.	32 1/2	Trans-America Co.	6 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7 1/2 pt.	32 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	21 1/2
Engineers' Public Service	10 1/2	20th Cent. Fox 3 1/2 pt.	30 1/2
Flintkote	25	Union Carbide & Carbon	79 1/2
Food Machinery Corp.	28 1/2	Union Pacific	98 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	52 1/2	United Aircraft	3 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	11 1/2
Gen. Motors	48 1/2	United Corp.	24
Gen. Railway Signal	19 1/2	United Corp. 3 1/2 cum pf.	35 1/2
Glidden Co.	20	United Gas Corp.	12 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	20 1/2	United Gas Improvement	24
Goodrich S.S. pt.	67	U.S. Rubber	44 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	31 1/2	U.S. Rubber 8 pld.	100 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2	U.S. Steel	58 1/2
Great Northern Ry. pld.	25 1/2	Vanadium	24 1/2
Great Western Sugar	—	Warner Bros. Pict.	54
Greyhound Corp.	19	Westinghouse Elec.	103
Hecker Products	63 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	21
Homestake Mining	63 1/2	Chase National Bank	31 1/2
Industrial Rayon	24	National City Bank	24 1/2

— bid. — ex. div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

	1939	Mar. 24, 1939	High	Low	Close	Change
High Low Dow Jones Averages	141.85	142.48	142.48	140.27	141.58	17.08
24.25 27.08	20	20	20.07	20.07	20.07	11.00
22.53 22.20	20	20	24.14	24.23	23.87	24.05
22.23 22.25	40	40	20.42	20.42	20.38	27.00
48.17 48.59	11	11	47.78	47.85	47.85	27.00

Business Done—440,000 shares

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The market was quiet, but prices remained steady. Sales were reported in Banks at \$1380, Docks at \$174 and Old China Lights at \$320.

BUYERS

Hongkong Bank, \$1370.
Canton Ins., \$220.
Doughases, \$89.
H. & S. Hotels, \$54.
H.K. Electric, \$55 1/2.
Canton Ice, \$1.
Cement, \$13 1/2.
H.K. Ropes, \$4.
Wing On (H.K.), \$42.
Entertainments, \$6 1/2.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prem.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan Par.
Dairy Farms Rights, \$15 1/2.

SELLERS

Union Ins., \$47 1/2.
H.K. Lands, \$36.
Watsons, \$9.10.

SALES

Hongkong Bank, \$1380.
Union Ins., \$47 1/2.
H.K. Docks, \$17 1/2.
China Lights (Old), \$8.20.
Dairy Farms, \$21 Ex rts.
Dairy Farms Rights, \$15 1/2.
PHILIPPINE MINING
QUOTATIONS
Antamoka, Pa. 41.
Atoks, 35.
Benguet Consolidated, \$12.50.
Coco Grove, Pa. 42.
Consolidated Mines, 003.
I. X. L. Pa. 51.
Paracale Gumaus, Pa. 17.
San Mauricio, Pa. 198.
Suyoc, Pa. 19.
United Paracale, Pa. 71.

International interest in China's products, the report states.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE	SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION
MONDAY 27. MAR.	MONDAY 27. MAR.
Buyers	Buyers
Sellers	Sellers
Sales	Sales
Monials	Monials
Bank	Bank
H.K. Bank	H.K. Bank
Do. (Col. Reg.)	Do. (Col. Reg.)
Do. (Lon. Reg.)	Do. (Lon. Reg.)
Chartered Bank	Chartered Bank
Mercantile Bk. "A"	Mercantile Bk. "A"
Mercantile Bk. "C"	Mercantile Bk. "C"
Bank of East Asia	Bank of East Asia
N. C. & S. Bank	N. C. & S. Bank
Insurance	Insurance
Canton Insurance	Canton Insurance
Union Insurance	Union Insurance
Underwriters	Underwriters
H.K. Fire	H.K. Fire
Shipping	Shipping
Douglases	Douglases
Steamboat	Steamboat
Indo-China (Prof.)	Indo-China (Prof.)
Indo-China (Def.)	Indo-China (Def.)
Shells	Shells
Waterboats	Waterboats
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.
H.K. & K. Wharves	H.K. & K. Wharves
Providents (old)	Providents (old)
Providents (new)	Providents (new)
H.K. & W. Docks	H.K. & W. Docks
Do. (new)	Do. (new)
Shanghai Textile S.	Shanghai Textile S.
New Engineering S.	New Engineering S.
Mining	Mining
Kailash	Kailash
Venezuela Gold Fids	Venezuela Gold Fids
Hong Kong Mines	Hong Kong Mines
Lands, Hotels and Buildings	Lands, Hotels and Buildings
H.K. Hotels	H.K. Hotels
H.K. Lands	H.K. Lands
Do. 4% Debentures	Do. 4% Debentures
Shanghai Lands S.	Shanghai Lands S.
H.K. Realities	H.K. Realities
Humphreys	Humphreys
Chinese Estates	Chinese Estates
Cotton Mills	Cotton Mills
Ewa (S.)	Ewa (S.)
China Cottons (S.)	China Cottons (S.)
Zong Singa (S.)	Zong Singa (S.)
Wing On Textile (S.)	Wing On Textile (S.)
Public Utilities	Public Utilities
Tramways	Tramways
Pak Trans (old)	Pak Trans (old)
Pak Trans (new)	Pak Trans (new)
Star Ferries	Star Ferries
Y'mati Ferries (O)	Y'mati Ferries (O)
Do. (new)	Do. (new)
China Lights (O)	China Lights (O)
China Lights (New)	China Lights (New)
China Lights Rts.	China Lights Rts.
H.K. Electric	H.K. Electric
Macao Electric	Macao Electric
Sandakan Light	Sandakan Light
Telephones (old)	Telephones (old)
Telephones (new)	Telephones (new)
Tractions	Tractions
Tractions (pref.)	Tractions (pref.)
Industrials	Industrials
Caid, Macg. (Ord.) S.	Caid, Macg. (Ord.) S.
Caid, Macg. (Pref.) S.	Caid, Macg. (Pref.) S.
Canton Ice	Canton Ice
Cement	Cement
Ropes	Ropes
Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous
Dairy Farms	Dairy Farms
Ch. E. & M. (new)	Ch. E. & M. (new)
Constructions (old)	Constructions (old)
Constructions (new)	Constructions (new)
Loose Crawfords	Loose Crawfords
Nanyang Tobacco	Nanyang Tobacco
Succeres	Succeres
Stations	Stations
Ch. G. 5% 1928 S.B.	Ch. G. 5% 1928 S.B.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan
H.K. Govt. 5 1/2% Loan	H.K. Govt. 5 1/2% Loan
H.K. Wing On	H.K. Wing On
S'hai Wing On	S'hai Wing On
Vibro Piling	Vibro Piling
Marmans Inv. (H.K.)	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)
Wm. Powells	Wm. Powells
*Sales to Shanghai	*Sales to Shanghai

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War Loan, 3½% (Red. after 1952)	96½
Canton-K'oon Rly. 5%	20
1888 (Brit. Issue)	75
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan	70
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	67
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	55
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	37
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	49½
Chinese 5% Star. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	17
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5%	70
Loan	23
Honan Rly. 5%	20
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	23
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	18
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5%	16½
S'hai-N'king Rly. 5%	24
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	16
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	16
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	16
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	16
Jap. 5% Star. Loan, 1907	37½
Jap. 6% Star. Loan, 1924	43
Ger. 7% Int. Loan, 1924	37
Chartered Bank	38½
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	84
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	84
Chinese, Eng. & Mining (bearer)	17½
Chosen Corporation	2
Pekin Syndicate	2
S'hai Elec. Const. Co.	25*
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½
Union Insurance	30½
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	18½
Allied Ironfounders	19
Asso. & Elec. Industries	40½
Austin Motors, ord.	32½
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord.	43½
B.-A. Toh (bearer)	98½
Camell Laird, ord.	8
Mexican Eagle	7
Courtaulds	26½
Distillers	91
Dunlop Rubber	28½
Gen. Electric (England)	78
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	102½
Hawker Siddeley Airc.	20½
Bristol Aeroplane	21½
Imperial Chemical Ind.	30½
Imperial Tobacco	133½
Marlks & Sp'cer "A" ord.	58
Rolls Royce	108½
Leyland Motors	90
Tate & Lyle	80
Turner & Newall	76½
United Steel	23½
Smethwick Drop Forg.	15½
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Pressed Steel, com.	16½
Vickers, ord.	21½
Woolworths	60½
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Rub. Plant Invest. Trust	27½
Burma Corporation	8½
Commonwealth Mining	1
Marsman Investments	15
Randfontein Estates	35½
Western Holdings	9½
Sub-Nige	220
Tanami Gold Mining	44½
Anglo-Iranian	88½
Burmah	81½
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ing deliberately shot himself in the

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onerated by a scientific examina-

tion of his wound, was told by Dr.

John Frank Taylor, the pathologist,

in a lecture at St. George's Hospital,

S.W.

The officer was arrested and put

under the care of a surgeon, who

opened up the wound. The bullet

was not there, but in the bone were

found fragments of the nickel cas-

ing of a bullet.

The officer's own revolver used

lead bullets without any casing,

and it was obvious that he could

not have shot himself, and he was

released. But for that he might

possibly have been shot.

One of the mistakes made by Dr.

Ruxton, the Lancaster murderer,

said Dr. Taylor, was in not remov-

ing palm prints. He removed only

the finger prints.

"It is not so commonly known,"

added the lecturer, "that you can

identify prints of the palms of the

hands."

REAR-ADMIRAL HART

Rear-Admiral Harold Stark has

been appointed to succeed Admiral

William D. Leahy as Chief of Naval

Operations. The latter is retiring

on May 1. Rear-Admiral Stark at

present is Chief of Ordnance.

The appointment of Rear-

Admiral Thomas G. Hart, Chairman

of the General Board of the U.S.

Navy, to succeed Rear-Admiral

Harry Yarnall as Commander of

the Asiatic Fleet is also announced.

EMPIRE'S AIR CHAIN
North Atlantic & Canadian
Links Being Forged

OTTAWA.—Dreams of an Empire chain of air services gird-
 ling the earth will be two stages nearer realization within a year
 through the forging of a link across the North Atlantic from Ire-
 land to Newfoundland and a second link joining Canada's
 Atlantic and Pacific coasts. It will then remain to span the
 Pacific to join existing routes from the British Isles to Singa-
 pore and Australasia.

Preliminary surveys of the Atlantic air lanes have been com-
 pleted and it is planned within
 a few months to have 30-ton flying
 boats of Imperial Airways operating
 on an experimental but regular
 service between the British Isles
 and Canada. Actively interested in
 the venture is the United States
 Department of Aviation. American
 planes will take part in the new
 service.

TO SPAN CANADA
 Canada has been developing the
 second link, Trans-Canada Air
 Lines, a government-controlled
 utility, has developed a domestic
 network of routes to span the
 Dominion. Last summer twin-
 engined, all-metal airliners of
 latest design inaugurated a regu-
 lar daily mail service from Win-
 nipeg to Vancouver, crossing the
 prairie provinces of Manitoba, Sas-
 katchewan and Alberta and the
 Rocky Mountains.

On Dec. 1 the service was ex-
 tended eastward to Toronto, Ottawa
 and Montreal. A string of modern,
 well-equipped airports is scattered
 across the country, serviced by
 meteorological and radio facilities.
 Effective March 1, Trans-Canada
 Air Lines schedules called for mail

MR. CHURCHILL
ON REARMING

First Effective Stride Forward

Mr. Winston Churchill, ad-

dressing a meeting of his con-

stituents at Chigwell, Essex,

welcomed the steps taken by

the Government to speed up

rearmament, but said that the

danger was by no means over.

The estimates for the coming

year, he said, showed for the first

time a really effective stride for-

ward in the rising trend of Britain.

For the first time we should be

spending upon our Air Force about

the same as Germany had spent

year by year for the last four years.

There were signs of improvement

in air raid precautions. He had

much to say in criticism on the

existing state of things, and would

look for an opportunity in the

near future.

HEAVY PRICE OF PEACE

In the sphere of foreign policy he

also found much to approve in the

Government's attitude. He welcom-

ed "the increasingly firm language"

used by Lord Halifax and his state-

ment in the House of Lords re-

cently that we would "not

tolerate British ships being sunk

even inside the Spanish three-mile

limit and their crews being left to

drown.

The newspapers contained almost

daily reports from many capitals

in Europe showing how heartily

they welcomed what was called "the

new spirit" in Britain.

"But I must make it clear that

the danger is by no means over,"

he continued. No one would pretend

that our Air Force was half as

strong as that of Germany.

The momentous declaration made

by the Secretary for War, that we

must prepare 19 divisions for over-

seas action, only showed how heavy

had been the price paid for peace

at Munich.

Mr. Churchill discounted any

idea that there was a quarrel be-

tween Mr. Chamberlain and him-

self.

CHINA'S NEW ARMS ROUTE

An American engineer has just

passed through England en route

for the Far East on a mission which

may influence the future course of

the Sino-Japanese war. He is Mr.

C. C. Hogg, of the New York staff

of General Motors.

His ultimate destination is Hong-

kong, but he is going via Rangoon

and the new Burma-China road

from Namkham to Paoshan. It is

by this road that the Chinese

Government hopes to circumvent

the Japanese blockade by sea and

obtain war material from the

West.

Mr. Hogg, who is small, quiet

and determined, is an expert on

heavy lorries. He is travelling

from Burma to China by road to

ascertain which type of lorry is

most suited to the new route and

to climatic conditions there.

JOURNALIST
RETIRE FROM
FAR EAST

Leaving Shanghai on Mar. 18

in the Blue Funnel s.s. Memnon,

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Evans bade

farewell to the Far East after a

long residence, during which

period Mr. Evans has been active-

ly associated with journalism in

various cities.

Mr. Evans first came to the Far

East about 1905, when he joined

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cle," which journal he edited

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sence, of the late proprietor, Mr.

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Nellors, E. & A., April 8.
Pros. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 10.
Arabia, Lloyd Triestino, April 10.
Franken, Melchers, April 11.
Glasgow, Jardine's, April 11.
Regensburg, Melchers, April 12.
Santia, B. I. (Appears), April 13.
Cartage, P. & O., April 13.
Jean Laborde, Messageries, April 13.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.
Tegelberg, J. C. J. Line, April 18.
Tjinegar, J. C. J. Line, April 18/19.
Gneisenau, Melchers, April 20.
Pros. Taft, A. P. Lines, April 21.
Felix Bousard, Messageries, April 21.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., April 27.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA

Australian Ports, East and West
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Batavia
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Bangkok
Muniam, B. & S., March 28.
Kwaiyang, B. & S., April 5.
Boiservain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
Belawan-Deli
Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
Marburg, Melchers, April 7.
Borneo Ports
Mausang, Jardine's, April 1.
Brisbane
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Cebu
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 5.
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Silversteak, Furness, April 27.
Cochin
Canton, P. & O., April 1.
Corfu, P. & O., April 15.
Davao
Silversteak, Furness, April 27.
Haiphong
Jean Dupuis B. & S., March 28.
Tientsin, J. C. J. Line, March 29.
Woochow, B. & S., March 30.
Canton, C. A. N., March 30.
Ninghai, B. & S., April 1.
Esang, Jardine's, April 1.
Kingyuan, B. & S., April 2.
Mingyang, Jardine's, April 4.
Takasang, Jardine's, April 12.
Java
Tjinsalak, J. C. J. Line, April 4.
Kwangchowwan
Jean Dupuis B. & S., March 28.
Kingyuan, B. & S., April 2.
Makassar
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Manila
Burgeland, Jensen's, March 29.
Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Pros. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 3.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 5.
Boiservain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
Conte Verde, L. Triestino, April 7.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 7.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, April 7.
Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 10.
Tjinsalak, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Pros. Taft, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Ivan, Jensen's, April 20.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., April 20.
Silversteak, Furness, April 27.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 28.
Pros. Cleveland, A. P. Lines, April 28.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., May 6.
Melbourne
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Pakhoi
Kingyuan, B. & S., April 2.
Rabat
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Saigon
Muniam, B. & S., March 28.
Chenonoeux, Messageries, April 3.
Kwaiyang, B. & S., April 5.
Boiservain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
Marburg, Melchers, April 7.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, April 7.
Mar. Joffre, Messageries, April 13.
Jean Laborde, Messageries, April 27.
Sandakan
Mausang, Jardine's, April 1.
Singapore
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Sydney
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Townsville
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

WESTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 30.
Canton, P. & O., April 1.
Antenor, B. & S., April 5.
Corfu, P. & O., April 15.
Somali, P. & O., April 21.
Alexandria
Pros. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 28.
Algiers
Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 30.
Amsterdam
Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, April 10.
Arendark, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
Antwerp
Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 30.
Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 10.
Arendark, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
Boston and New York
Pros. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 4.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.

EASTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

Bahio
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.
Baltimore
Nagata Maru, N. Y. K., April 7.
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.
Boston and New York
Pros. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 4.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.

Cristobal
Nagata Maru, N. Y. K., April 7.
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.
Honolulu
Kamakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
Pros. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 10.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., April 27.
Los Angeles
Kamakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
Pros. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 10.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.

Panama
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.
Philadelphia
Nagata Maru, N. Y. K., April 7.
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, April 18.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 27.

San Francisco
Kamakura Maru, N. Y. K., March 30.
Pros. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 10.
Seattle
Ivan, B. & S., April 8.
Vancouver, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
Ivan, B. & S., April 8.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., April 27.

Victoria, B.C.
Emp. of Asia, C. P. S., March 30.
Ivan, B. & S., April 8.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 14.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., April 27.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA

Australian Ports, East and West
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Batavia
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Bangkok
Muniam, B. & S., March 28.
Kwaiyang, B. & S., April 5.
Boiservain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
Belawan-Deli
Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
Marburg, Melchers, April 7.
Borneo Ports
Mausang, Jardine's, April 1.
Brisbane
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Cebu
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 5.
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Silversteak, Furness, April 27.
Cochin
Canton, P. & O., April 1.
Corfu, P. & O., April 15.
Davao
Silversteak, Furness, April 27.
Haiphong
Jean Dupuis B. & S., March 28.
Tientsin, J. C. J. Line, March 29.
Woochow, B. & S., March 30.
Canton, C. A. N., March 30.
Ninghai, B. & S., April 1.
Esang, Jardine's, April 1.
Kingyuan, B. & S., April 2.
Mingyang, Jardine's, April 4.
Takasang, Jardine's, April 12.
Java
Tjinsalak, J. C. J. Line, April 4.
Kwangchowwan
Jean Dupuis B. & S., March 28.
Kingyuan, B. & S., April 2.
Makassar
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Manila
Burgeland, Jensen's, March 29.
Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Pros. Coolidge, A. P. Lines, April 3.
Anna Maerk, Jensen's, April 5.
Boiservain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
Conte Verde, L. Triestino, April 7.
Emp. of Canada, C. P. S., April 7.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, April 7.
Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 10.
Tjinsalak, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Pros. Taft, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Ivan, Jensen's, April 20.
Emp. of Russia, C. P. S., April 20.
Silversteak, Furness, April 27.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 28.
Pros. Cleveland, A. P. Lines, April 28.
Emp. of Japan, C. P. S., May 6.
Melbourne
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Pakhoi
Kingyuan, B. & S., April 2.
Rabat
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Saigon
Muniam, B. & S., March 28.
Chenonoeux, Messageries, April 3.
Kwaiyang, B. & S., April 5.
Boiservain, J. C. J. Line, April 6.
Marburg, Melchers, April 7.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, April 7.
Mar. Joffre, Messageries, April 13.
Jean Laborde, Messageries, April 27.
Sandakan
Mausang, Jardine's, April 1.
Singapore
Tjinsadane, J. C. J. Line, April 11.
Sydney
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.
Townsville
Nankin, E. & A., April 1.

WESTWARD

FROM HONGKONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 30.
Canton, P. & O., April 1.
Antenor, B. & S., April 5.
Corfu, P. & O., April 15.
Somali, P. & O., April 21.
Alexandria
Pros. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 28.
Algiers
Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 30.
Amsterdam
Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.
Glenbeg, Jardine's, April 10.
Arendark, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
Antwerp
Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.
Talabot, Thoresen's, March 30.
Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 10.
Arendark, J. C. J. Line, April 10.
Boston and New York
Pros. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.
Pros. Van Buren, A. P. Lines, April 4.
Pros. Adams, A. P. Lines, April 14.
City of Dalhart, Thoresen's, April 14.
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EASTWARD

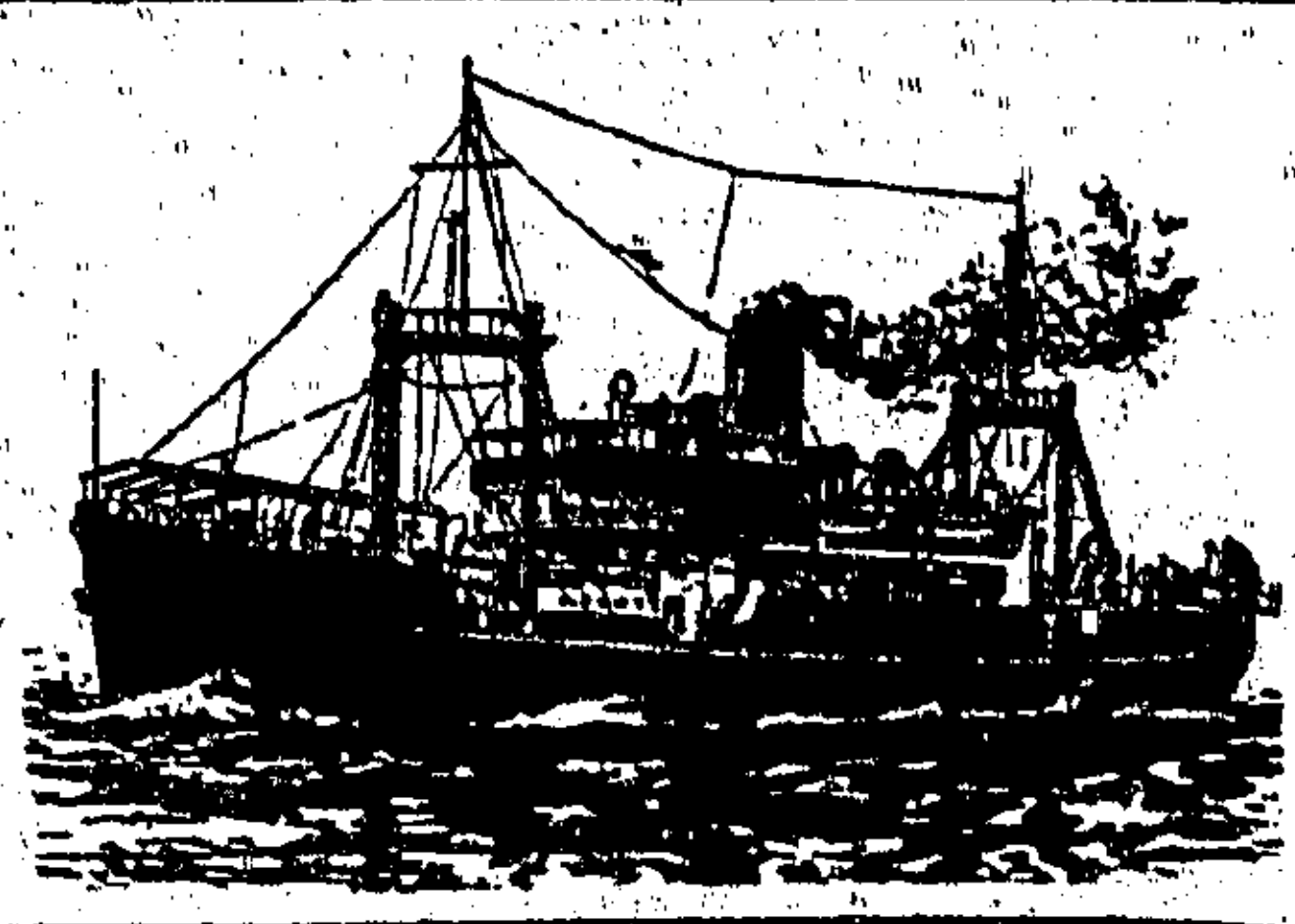
FROM HONGKONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

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"Tientsin" 13th Apr. 3 p.m.
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Formosa, Gilman's, March 28.

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Pros. Monroe, A. P. Lines, March 29.

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Potsdam, Melchers, March 31.

Canton, P. & O., April 1.

Chenonoeux, Messageries, April 3.

Antenor, B. & S., April 5.

Conte Verde, L. Triestino, April 7.

Marburg, Melchers, April 7.

Husimi Maru, N. Y. K., April 8.

Oldenburg, Jensen's, April 10.

Via Canada

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DUE TO-DAY

Chungking, British, 1,311 registered
 tons, Capt. W. Orwin, from
 Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B?—
 B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Tilawa, British, 6,153 registered
 tons, Capt. J. W. Milne, from Cal-
 cutta and Straits, 2 p.m., at K'loon
 Wharf—M.M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Cremer, Dutch, 2,770 registered
 tons, Capt. Ahlers, from Amoy,
 p.m., at buoy No. A3—J.C.J. Line
 (Tel. 28015).

Tiladane, Dutch, 5,780 registered
 tons, Capt. J. Naerebout, from
 Java & Manila, noon, at buoy No.
 A7—J.C.J. Line (Tel. 28015).

Haidis, British, 1,144 registered
 tons, Capt. A. Hall from K. C. Wan,
 p.m., at buoy No. B?—W. Fat
 Sing. (Tel. 20005).

Emp. of Asia, British, 8,883 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. G. Good, from
 Manila, 8 a.m., at K'loon Wharf—
 C.P.S. (Tel. 20752).

Bolshevik, Dutch, 8,669 registered
 tons, Capt. Blankstein, from
 S'hal, 10 a.m., at Kowloon Dock—
 C. J. Line. (Tel. 28015).

Newchwang, British, 1,486 regis-
 tered tons, from Tientsin and Swa-
 tow, a.m., at buoy No. B?—B. & S.
 (Tel. 30331).

Kwangtung, British, 1,572 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. S. M. Barling,
 from Shanghai, Amoy and Chuen-
 chow, a.m., at buoy No. B?—B. & S.
 (Tel. 30331).

Nagato Maru, Japanese, 4,324
 regd. tons, Captain E. Kubo, from
 Formosa, a.m., at buoy No. A9—N.Y.
 K. (Tel. 30291).

Sui Yang, British, 1,594 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. Thomas, from Hal-
 phong, Pakhoi and K. C. Wan, a.m.
 at buoy No. B?—B. & S. (Tel.
 30331).

Canton Maru, Japanese, 1,647
 regd. tons, Captain Suzuki, from
 Formosa, a.m., at O.S.K. Wharf—
 O.S.K. (Tel. 28061).

Soochow, British, 1,584 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. J. Whyte, from
 S'hal and Swatow, a.m., at buoy
 No. B?—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Formosa, Swedish, from Japan,
 and S'hal, p.m., at buoy No. A4—
 Gilman & Co. (Tel. 30966).

DUE TO-MORROW

Kwelyang, British, 1,580 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. D. Williams, from
 Bangkok, a.m., at buoy No. B?—
 B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Hiram, Norwegian, 1,108 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. T. Olsen, from
 Bangkok, a.m., at buoy No. B?—
 Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

Protestants, British, 6,110 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. Longair, from
 Europe and Straits, a.m., at Hol's
 Wharf—B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Chitral, British, 8,772 registered
 tons, Capt. Pocock, from London

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Seleni, Dutch, 2,274 registered
 tons, Capt. P. G. de Groot, from
 Tarakan, at North Point—A.P.C.
 (Tel. 28041).

Ninghai, British, 1,482 registered
 tons, Capt. W. Paul, from Tientsin,
 at buoy No. B4—B. & S. (Tel.
 30331).

Mau Sang, British, 2,063 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. P. Jowitt, from
 Sandakan, at buoy No. B22—
 J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Canton, French, 976 registered
 tons, Capt. G. Charlet, from Hal-
 phong, at buoy No. B10—M.M.
 (Tel. 26651).

Tai Sang, British, 1,949 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. W. A. Balch, from
 S'hal and Swatow, at West Point
 Wharf to buoy No. B2—J. M. & Co.
 (Tel. 30311).

Changon, British, 2,235 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. L. N. Beer, from
 K. C. Wan, at C.M.S.N. Wharf—
 Changon & Co. (Tel. 34181).

Hans, Rickmers, German, 3,129
 regd. tons, Capt. Harff, from
 Europe and Manila, at Stone-
 cutters—Jensen & Co. (Tel. 31205).

Wing Wo, Portuguese, 495 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. I. d. de Lemos,
 from K. C. Wan, at Salkong
 Wharf—Tai Fung & Co. (Tel.
 20093).

Yat Shing, British, 1,424 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. G. Clarke, from
 Hongkong, at buoy No. B25—J.
 M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Hai Ching, British, 1,322 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. O. H. Farrer, from
 Swatow, at Douglas Wharf—
 Douglas & Co. (Tel. 28037).

Ramess, German, 4,899 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. J. Zalke, from
 Europe and Manila, at Kowloon
 Wharf—Jensen & Co. (Tel. 31205).

SAILED YESTERDAY

Ardent for Hongkong
 Tai Poo Sek for K. C. Wan
 Tumul for Tientsin
 Sung Shan Maru for Canton

and Straits, a.m., at Kowloon
 Wharf—M. M. & Co. (Tel. 27721).

Pres. Monroe, American, 6,195
 regd. tons, Capt. W. H. Weaver,
 from San Francisco via Manila,
 a.m., at Kowloon Wharf—A.P.L.
 (Tel. 28171).

Kamakura Maru, Japanese, from
 San Francisco, Japan and S'hal,
 a.m., at buoy No. A7—N.Y.K. (Tel.
 30291).

Lyemmoon, British, 1,734 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from
 Saigon, a.m., at buoy No. B?—W.
 Fat Sing (Tel. 20005).

E Sang, British, 2,055 registered
 tons, Capt. S. Schofield, from S'hal
 and Swatow, a.m., at buoy No. B?—
 J. M. & Co. (Tel. 30311).

Marchal Joffre, French, 6,645
 regd. tons, Captain Fayol, from
 Marseilles and Saigon, a.m., at
 Kowloon Wharf—M. M. (Tel.
 26651).

SAILING TO-DAY

Tilsaroe, Dutch, 4,394 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. J. Van Nuy, from
 Tai Koo Sugar R. Wharf, for Amoy
 10 a.m.—J.C.J. Line (Tel. 28015).

Tai Yuan, British, 2,100 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. J. D. Fraser, from
 buoy No. B, for Chuanchow, Amoy
 and S'hal, 5 p.m.—B. & S. (Tel.
 30331).

Jean Dupuis, French, 386 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. Lavalley, from
 buoy No. C1, for K. C. Wan, 4 p.m.
 —B. & S. (Tel. 30331).

Marchen Maersk, Danish, 4,100
 regd. tons, Capt. Nielsen, from buoy
 No. A2, for S'hal, Japan & U.S.A.,
 noon—Jensen & Co. (Tel. 31205).

Hans Rickmers, German, 3,129
 regd. tons, Capt. Harff, from
 K'loon Wharf, for S'hal, Dairen,
 Taku and Japan, noon—Jensen &
 Co. (Tel. 31205).

Nagato Maru, Japanese, 4,324
 regd. tons, Capt. E. Kubo, from
 buoy No. A9, for Saigon, S'pore,
 Bombay and Calcutta, p.m.—N.Y.
 K. (Tel. 30291).

Ramess, German, 4,899 registered
 tons, J. Zalke, from Kowloon
 Wharf, for S'hal, Dairen and Ja-
 pan, p.m.—Jensen & Co. (Tel.
 31205).

Hermid, Norwegian, registered
 tons, Capt. S. Ellassen, from buoy
 No. B5, for Bangkok, daylight—
 Thoresen & Co. (Tel. 30237).

SAILING TO-MORROW

Canton Maru, Japanese, 1,647
 regd. tons, Capt. Suzuki, from
 O.S.K. Wharf, for Canton, 8 a.m.—
 O.S.K. (Tel. 28061).

Formosa, Swedish, from buoy
 No. A4, for Port Sudan, Port Said,
 Algiers, Oran, Casablanca, Ant-
 werp, Rotterdam, (Amsterdam),
 Hamburg, Copenhagen, Oslo, Go-
 thenburg and other Scandinavian
 Ports, a.m.—Gilman & Co. (Tel.
 30966).

Chungking, British, 1,311 regis-
 tered tons, Capt. W. A. Orwin, from
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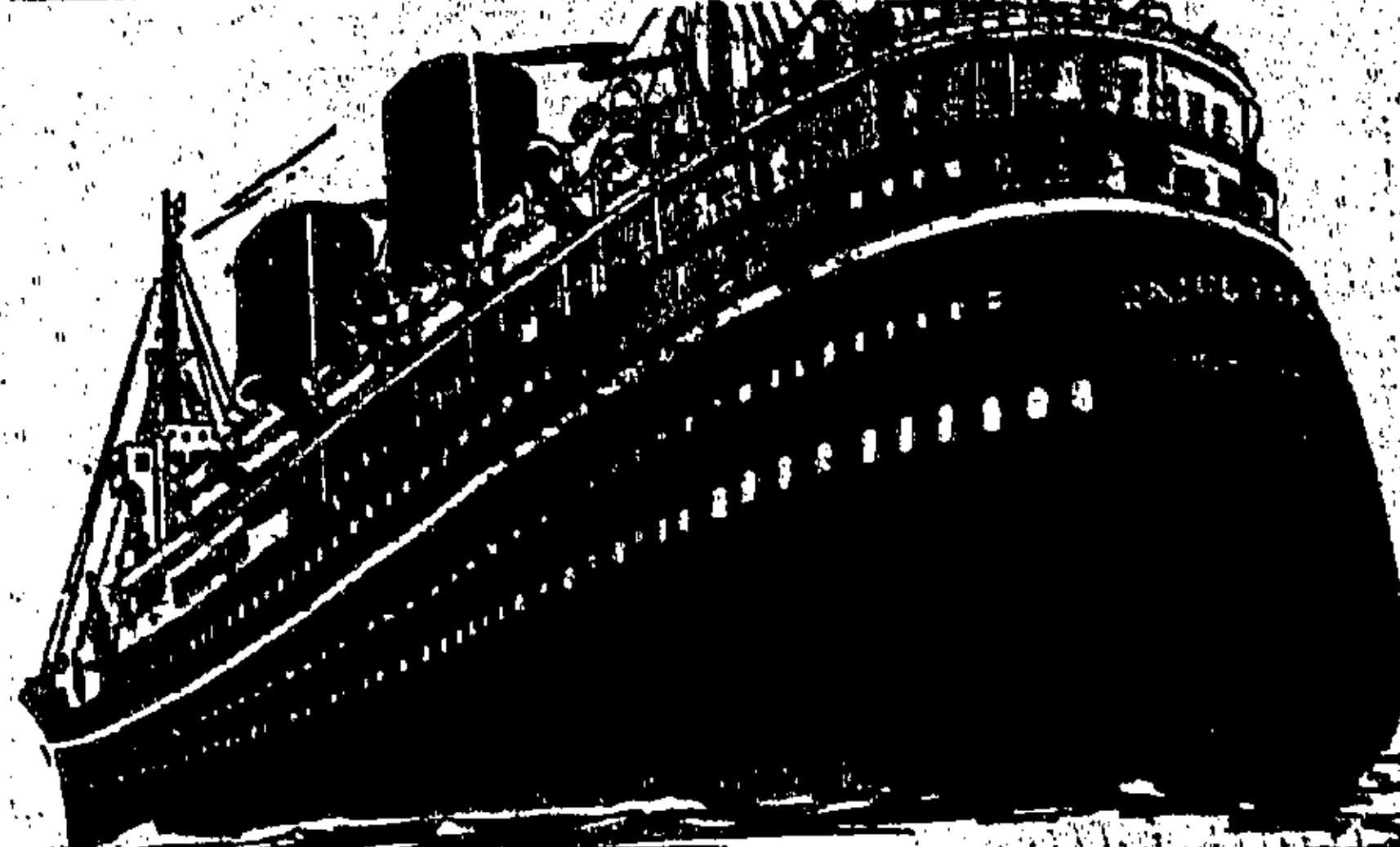
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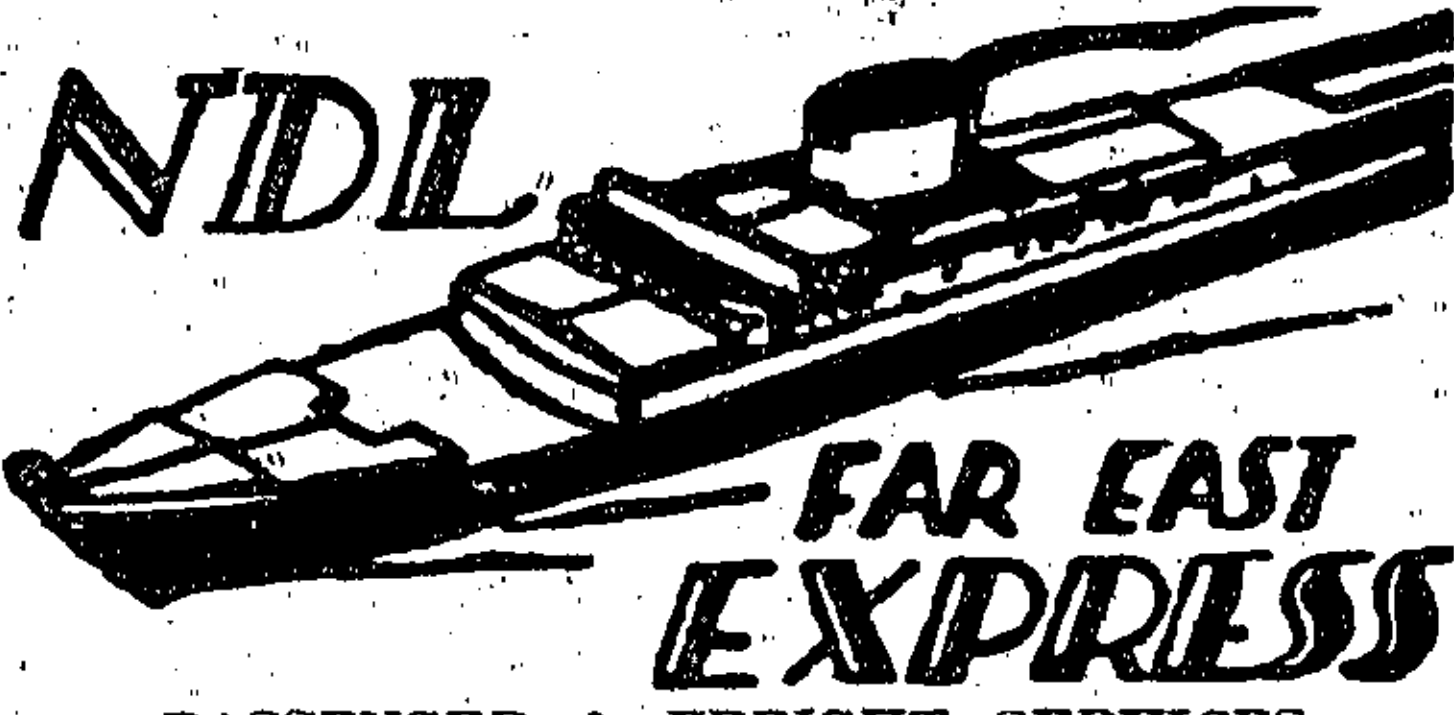
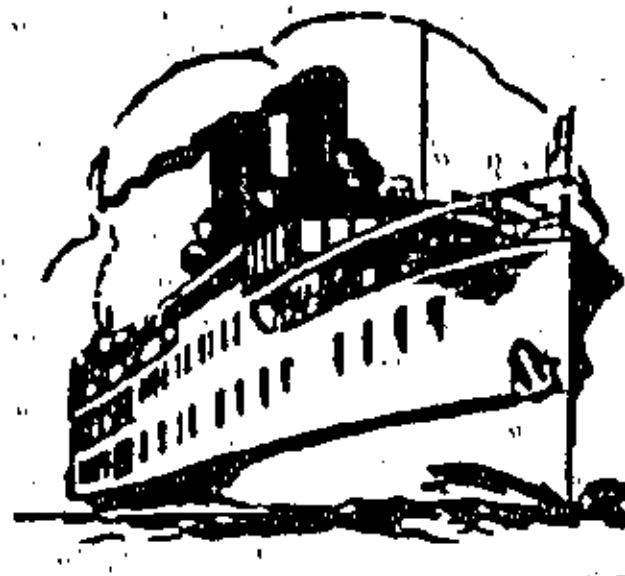
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SPARKLING TENNIS IN OPEN TOURNAMENT

Minu Hits Hard And Often Against The Rumjahns

SOME SPARKLING TENNIS WAS SEEN AT THE HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB GROUND YESTERDAY in the course of the Open tennis tournament. The best match of the day, though not the closest-contested, was that between H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn, last year's runners-up, and A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack.

The scores rather flattered the losers, who were lucky to receive a fair number of "free" points from the winners. It was a hard-hitting game, the hardest hitter of them all being A. R. Minu. In fact, he overdid this and, while at time brilliant, he was too inconsistent to be thoroughly effective.

Razack started off aggressively enough, but slackened off considerably later and played, on the whole, an over-cautious game, though he was responsible for a number of spectacular "cuts-off" at the net.

The Rumjahns were not fully extended throughout. Both showed good form, with Sirdar making his usual quota of unexpected mistakes.

Stephen Wong and Lim Thiam-tet somewhat surprisingly dropped their first set to J. J. Ferguson and E. E. Story at 5-7, but were, nevertheless, never really in danger of defeat and eventually ran out winners 5-7, 6-2, 6-2.

Lim, who has an individualistic style, was brilliant rather than steady, while Wong was both, off and on. Their combination was good, which was where they had an advantage over the opposition. Ferguson was the better of the losers, though Story made quite a number of good shots.

SINGLES

The anticipated struggle between W. C. Hung and Ho Ka-lau did not take place, as the former conceded his opponent a walk-over.

A. Crawford, hitting harder and more consistently than Peter U, accounted for the latter by scores of 6-0, 6-4, while J. A. Tomlinson beat Lam Kwan 6-3, 7-5 after a second set in which the loser lost a number of opportunities of prolonging the fight.

ALTERATIONS IN TIES

The following changes in tomorrow's ties in the Colony Tennis Championships are announced:

The match on Court No. 6 (B.O.M. Deane vs. E. Laidlaw) and the match on Court No. 8 (S.A. Gray and G. C. Burnett vs. A.V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios) are cancelled.

Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Beavan - 4/6 will meet T.C. Monaghan and Miss J. Craig - 4/6 on Court No. 8.

H.K. CYCLING CLUB

Two Record Attempts Marred By Weather

Two record attempts were made by members of the Hongkong Cycling Club during the week-end. On Mar. 25, R. H. McDowell unsuccessfully attempted to establish new figures from 55 to 100 miles, whilst on Mar. 26 H. A. G. Keates lowered G. Cottrell's 34 months old 54 miles Tourist record on the Kowloon Circuit by 15 mins. 6 secs.

Both riders contended with unfavourable weather in the shape of cold and strong wind and heavy rain. McDowell made a good start and returned 14 mins. 28 secs. at 5 miles, then slowed to clock 29.49 at the 10 miles check. He decided to retire, however, on reaching the 15 miles point in 44 mins. 27 secs. and intends making a further attempt in the near future.

Keates was started from the Alhambra Theatre at 8.42 a.m. for his successful ride. A slow start was made over the hilly section to Tai-po, only 15 miles being covered in the first hour. In two hours 33 miles had been covered, a strong following wind over the Fanling-Tai-po section being responsible for the increase to 154 miles in the second hour. The third hour produced 154 miles, the remaining 41 miles taking up 18 mins. 39 secs.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAMME
No social activities were promoted by the Club during the past week. This week's programme includes, a 2-hours training spin on Wednesday, Mar. 29, from the Methodist Church, Hennessy Road, at 8 p.m. sharp, and on Sunday next a social run which will leave the Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon, at 9.30 a.m. for Shataukok, via Fanling.

Thirteen riders have been invited and handicapped for the 50 miles event over the Kowloon Circuit on April 15. Full details will be announced later.

RESULTS

SINGLES

A. Crawford beat Peter U 6-0, 6-4.
J. A. Tomlinson beat Lam Kwan 6-3, 7-5.
Ho Ka-lau w.o. W. C. Hung.

DOUBLES

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn beat A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack 6-4, 7-5.
Stephen Wong and Lim Thiam-tet beat J. J. Ferguson and E. E. Story 5-7, 6-2, 6-2.

STRAITS CHINESE ARRIVE

Useful Football Combination

The Straits Chinese footballers, who played a series of matches in Manila last week, arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon by the Boeing Clipper—four days ahead of schedule.

They were due to arrive by the China Clipper on March 31, but when told that the plane had been delayed, they made a hurried departure from Manila so as to fulfil their engagements in Hongkong, where they are to play three matches.

The team consists of 20 players as follows:—Lee Pak-tung, John Then, Tan Khai-ban, Yap Boh-huat, Soon Choon-ye, K. H. Hoon, Yap Thian-teck, Lee Eayew, Choo Seng-que, John Chye, Ha Tee-siang, Chia Keng-hock, Yuen Quan-chong, Loong Leek-hoo, Lee Hal-choo, Ho Kok-choy, Kwan Sooh-teck, Tong Wai-mun, and James Goh.

The tourists commence their programme in Hongkong with a match against the South China A.A. on Saturday, and on Sunday they will play the Colony, and on Wednesday, April 5, they will meet the Rest of the Colony.

SECOND ISSUE OF "THE SPORTSMAN"

Special Articles Of Local Interest

The second number of "The Sportsman," newest sports magazine in the Colony, contains special articles dealing with cricket, tennis, boxing and football that should prove of much interest to local sports fans.

Of particular interest is the plea for a revival of boxing in Hongkong, and "Davis-Cuppers" discussion of what is wrong with the local net game.

The cricket article deals principally with criticism of the batting of A. H. Mader, Indian Recreation Club all-round sportsman, and Inter-port cricket, in the first division league match between the Indians and Kowloon Cricket Club on March 18.

The author discusses the chances of Club de Recreio carrying off the senior shield for the first time, and expresses the hope that they will succeed in their quest, which would do cricket a world of good.

—Y. E. A.

BADMINTON PROGRAMME

The following is the week's badminton championship programme:

TO-DAY

D. Kwok v. P. Lo, at 8 p.m., followed by the mixed doubles semi-finals, K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung v. P. K. Shi and Miss Khoo at 8.30 p.m., and C. Au and Miss Remedios v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva at 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

(At Club de Recreio)
Men's doubles semi-final between P. S. Ban and M. S. Lim and C. Au and P. Koh at 8 p.m.

(At Talkoo)

Men's doubles semi-final between P. K. Hut and K. L. Yung and M.

SPORTS NOTES AND VIEWS

Tennis Tourney In Interesting Stage

SAME FINALISTS IN DOUBLES?

(By "TAC")

AFTER ALMOST A WEEK'S interference by the weather, the Colony tennis championships resumed yesterday, when the Stanc Court came into use for the first time this year. As befitting the occasion, some scintillating tennis was seen in the match played there, between S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, 1938 runners-up, and a hard-hitting combination from the same club, I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu. The Cousins won with something to spare, but the match was studded with a number of fast and exciting rallies which gave the Stanc Court a good "send-off." The tournament has now reached an interesting stage, particularly in the Doubles, where things have been simplified to some extent. The Rumjahns entered the semi-finals yesterday, being the first pair to do so. Already in the third round were Paul Kong and B. Szeto, who were joined yesterday by Lim Thiam-tet and Stephen Wong. Other pairs almost certain to get through to the third round are the Tsui Brothers, champions, A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios, L. A. Newham and F. T. Baines, and Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau. The matches remaining in the third round when all second round games are completed, therefore, should be Tsui versus Kong and Szeto, Lim and Wong versus Gosano and Remedios, and Newham and Baines versus Lee and Ho. From which it would appear a safe forecast to predict that the last four will be the Tsuis and Gosano and Remedios, the Rumjahns and Lee and Ho. From which, again, it would seem that the final will see the same old repetition of a Tsui-Rumjahn struggle.

IT WAS A PITY that on Saturday the weather washed out the match that would have in all probability decided the destination of the senior cricket shield. That means we will have another four days to wait before finally knowing whether or not Club de Recreio will have the gallant efforts it has displayed this season crowned with the success it undoubtedly deserves. With no fear of an accusation of partisanship, and I feel sure, expressing the views of most cricketers and followers of the game here, I wish them the best of luck in their quest. Tried, seasoned, and already having tasted the fruits of success, Kowloon Cricket Club themselves will not grudge them their triumph if they do carry it off. For the latter it would be a question of an old thrill renewed, for the youthful Portuguese club (youthful in so far as their cricket history is concerned) it will be the first such joy, and would do more than anything else could to give them the encouragement and incentive that would make them for years to come one of the "giants" combinations of the League instead of the "babes."

IF PROOF WERE NEEDED that the popularity of football in Hongkong, so far from being on the decline, as was the complaint in some circles two or three seasons ago, is, if anything, on the upgrade, the Lai Wah Cup final match between the Chinese and the Non-Chinese at Happy Valley on Sunday furnishes it. Nearly 5,000 people paid for tickets, a record number for matches other than Inter-ports and, indeed, more than in quite a few Inter-ports. These people contributed a total of \$2,903. In addition there were many children, who were admitted free, and, of course, the usual hundreds of non-paying spectators from the neighbouring hills. The standard of play, as it should have been for the occasion, was high, the victory of the Chinese, by four goals to two being a fair reflection of the respective merits. One salient fact emerged from this encounter, that there are more Chinese players who can keep their feet and play "class" football under difficult conditions (such as those obtaining on Sunday) than there are non-Chinese.

A. Oliveira and L. A. Carvalho at 8 p.m. (At Talkoo)
Men's senior singles semi-final between K. L. Yung and C. Au at 8 p.m.

P. K. Hut has already entered the final of the senior singles, and B. H. Boone is in the final of the junior singles.

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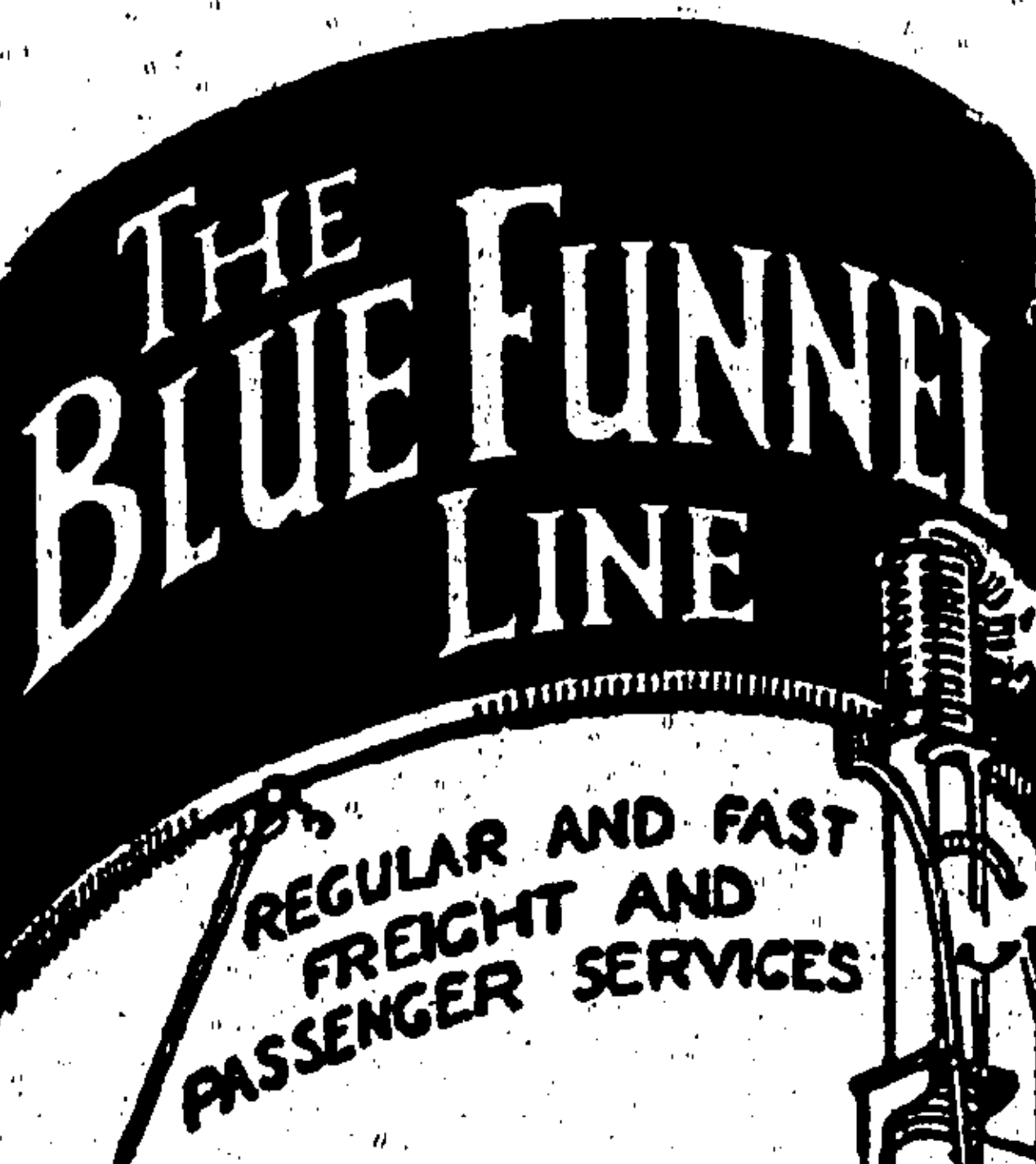
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